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Vanunu

says hijack

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in Rome

From Ian Murray Jerusalem

Mr Mordechai Vanunu has

again defied attempts to si-

lence him and told the world

that he was "hijacked in

Rome" to be taken to Israel to

stand trial for treason and

espionage. The revelation leaves the Italian Government

with the embarrassing task of

asking Israel if it carried out

an illegal abduction on Italian

The former nuclear tech-

nician is proving to be the man Israel cannot gag. He broke the Israel Official Secrets Act to tell The Sunday

Times in September that his country had stockpiled the

world's sixth largest armoury

of nuclear warheads. On Sun-

day he outsmarted his guards

and found a way to tell journalists how he had been

ance since being secretly

smuggled back to Israel nearly

three months ago, he had

As the van bringing him

Court where he was to appear,

he flattened the palm of his

hand against the window.

Before his guards could pull

bis hand away, the message had been photographed.

Rome ITL, 30/9/86, 2100" it

read. "Came to Rome by BA

The hearing lasted three

hours and it was agreed that

Mr Vanunu would be re-

manded in custody through-

out the legal proceedings against him. When he was

brought ont the border police-

men guarding him were care-

ful to hold his handcuffed

wrist down so that be could not try the trick again. But a

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released. The Israeli afternoon

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By Nichnlas Wood, Political Reporter

Labour MPs have been urged to launch a new year offensive against what party strategists believe is a con-certed Fleet Street campaign to torpedo their hopes of an election victory.

They have been advised to tackle political journalists responsible for reports that they believe either distort or misrepresent party policy or

At the same time, front-bench spokesmen have been asked to step up their drive for favourable press coverage by pumping out plenty of speeches and making themselves readily available for comment

on controversial issues. The counter-attack was urged by Mr Peter Mandelson, director of Labour's campaign and communications unit, at a private meeting at the Com-mons last week with senior MPs who make up the

frontbench team. Those present said that be had told them of an analysis he had conducted of newspaper coverage of the Labour Party over the past few

months. It concluded that press reports had generally been fair and reasonable up to August, but since then the party had been subjected to an unremit-

Tomorrow

Who he?



Who is this man and what is he doing? If you can answer this, and similar questions about the year gone by, you may be in line for a case of vintage Möet and Chandon champagne, worth £182, in our Prize

Christmas Quiz. There are six cases to be won in a competition the brain ticking

quaranteed to keep over the holiday. Plus For sports fans, a week's holiday for

two at the La Manga Club in Spain's Costa Calida is the first prize in tomorrow's special Sports Crossword.

Order your copy now

Portfolio —Gold—

● There is £8,000 to be won today in The Times Portfolio Gold competition as there was no winner

yesterday. Portfolio list, page 21; how to play, information service, 16.

TIMES BUSINESS

Oil prices up Despite a rise in crude oil

escape having to pay more for petrol for some weeks Page 17

prices; motorists are likely to

"TIMES SPORT" Title sacrifice

Lloyd Honeyghan, Britain's world welterweight champion, has surrendered one of his three world titles rather than meet the challenge of a white

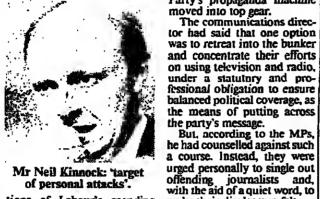
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ting campaign of vilification in all but a couple of newspapers. culminating in personal attacks on Mr Neil mouth the party had faced a shrill and hysterical onslaught. The Labour MPs said that Mr Mandelson had singled Kinnock, the Labour leader, over his contacts with the defence lawyer in the M15 spybook case.

The MPs were told that the wave of assaults on "loony left" councils, the tax implica-



Mr Neil Kinnock: 'target of personal attacks'.

tions of Labour's spending plans and alleged selection of far-left candidates for safe seats were part of orchestrated propaganda campaign involving the Downing Street press office and Conservative Cen-

tral Office. According to Mr Mandelson, the MPs said, political reporters and commentators had uncritically latched on to this material to

smear the party.

The Labour Party can concentrate on talking to itself fence and the evident unity and the press but we will and professionalism of the Labour conference had provided a brief respite, but since the Tory gathering in Bourne-

Piggott

pays in

A solicitor acting for Lester

up by Mr Henry Cecil, the trainer, and Mr Charles St

George, a racehorse owner.

weekly to police.

By Nicholas Beeston

The Iranian envoy to London yesterday claimed that his country was holding

two suspected British spies

and that one of them had

made a confession, which was filmed and would soon be

At a press conference in the

Iranian embassy in Kensing-ton, Mr Muhammad Mahdi

shown on Iranian television.

Suffolk.

met

That is our job and we will do it up to the election." Voyager heads for home

out The Sunday Times as the

ries, and other papers had followed its lead. They had been given a

warning to expect more of the

same in the run-up to the election as the Conservative

Party's propaganda machine

The communications direc-tor had said that one option was to retreat into the bunker

and concentrate their efforts

on using television and radio,

under a statutory and pro-

fessional obligation to ensure balanced political coverage, as

the means of putting across

make their displeasure felt. The Conservative Party was

voicing surprise at the new

Labour move last night. A

spokesman said it was "an

interesting if somewhat des-

we would want to become enmeshed in this row but it

does not seem to be the

response of a particularly self-

concentrate on talking to the

electorate about the issues.

He added: "I do not think

perate new tactic."

confident party.

moved into top gear.

'flagship" of anti-Labour sto-

From Mohsin Ali

Washington Piggott, the former champion suffering from fatigue and facing headwinds for the first bail security in the form of a banker's draft for £950,000 to time, early yesterday flew their the justices' clerk for West buffeted two-engined aircraft across the Caribbean and beaded home on the last leg of Mr Piggott, aged 51, had their non-stop, round-the-world flight without refuelling.

day ahead of schedule.

As Voyager turns north it will, for the first time since the

appeared before Newmarket magistrates on Friday, accused of making a false tax The pilots, Dick Rutan and statement concerning his bank account. He bad faced re-arrest if yesterday's 5pm dead-Jeana Yeager, flew through "some clouds and storms" at 00.80 GMT to cross Panama line for the security was not and head up the Pacific along the west coast of Mexico on The sum is is the highest to be demanded by magistrates and is in addition to two at Edwards Air Force Base in sureties of £125,000 each, put California this morning - a

trip began on December 14, Mr Piggott, of Hamilton face fuel-eating headwinds. Road, Newmarket, who be-The Voyager landing orig-inally had been expected this came a trainer after retiring from riding last year, is to appear before Newmarket afternoon. Early yesterday it had logged about 22,700 miles magistrates on March 19. and had about another 2,400 Under the bail conditions. miles to go. he has surrendered his pass-Aviation beroes, page 7 port, he must live at bis home in Newmarket and report

The inquiry into Mr Piggott's affairs is believed to nears end be part of an investigation by Inland Revenue and Customs The investigation into pos-& Excise inspectors, involving leading figures in the racing world.
The previous highest bail

sible leaks of market-sensitive information by civil servants could end by Christmas, but the Department of Trade and security demanded was findustry declines to confirm fig. 25,000, imposed in 1983 on two men accused of smuggling woman is the source Page 17

speaker and had been a

speech-writer in Iran under

Mr Cooper, wbo worked for

the late Shab.

DTI inquiry

voice from the crowd of journalists called in Hebrew: Where were you captured?" He had time to shout "Rome" before the hand of one of his guards roughly silenced him. The military censor did his

Iran claims British 'spy' confessed British businessman, of "spy-national, has been held at the

high-security Evin prison in Tehran for more than a year. ing activities" and claimed he "Cooper was a British sub-The Foreign Office is ex-pected to wait for the televised ject spying for the interests of bis country," said the envoy, who added that the 51-year-old Briton was a fluent as confession before responding

to the Iranian claims. . The other Briton accused of spying in Iran is Mr Nicholas Nicola, aged 21, from London, who was arrested by Iranian police near the Pakistani bor-

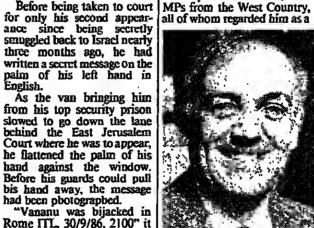
Mr Mordechai Vanuun showing the message he wrote on his hand as he was taken to court in Jerusalem: "Vanuun was hijacked in Rome ITL, 30.9.86 2100. Came to Rome by BA fly 504." Politicians mourn 'irreplaceable' David Penhaligon

The Liberal Party was devastated yesterday by the death of Mr David Penhaligon, one of its few national figures, in a road accident in his native

Politicians in all parties were grieving the loss of one of the most popular and humorous characters in the House of Commons in a tragedy which deprives the Liberals and the Alliance of an important member of their parliamentary team, a shrewd politi-

cal strategist and a highly respected constituency MP. In a statement issued soon after news of Mr Penhaligon's death reached Westminster a profoundly distressed Mr David Steel said: "He is irreplaceable."

It was a view to be echoed throughout the day in a series of tributes from Dr David Owen, leader of the SDP, other political leaders, and MPs from the West Country,



Labour leader, said that Mr Penhaligon was a "decent, sweet man with a wonderful sense of humour and independence. Everybody, political friend or foe, is going to miss

Mr Penhaligon, aged 42, died in the accident about 6.45 am yesterday at Truck Fork on the A390 road in Cornwall. He was driving his Rover car from Truro towards St Austell for his regular Christ-

Photograph Obituary

mas visit to the postal sorting office when it was struck almost head-on by a large van travelling in the opposite direction. The accident closed the icy road for more than two bours. Mr Penhaligon died instantly.

Mr Penhaligon, who was unca will one daughter, was the Liberals' Treasury spokesman. Along with Mr Alan Beith and Mr Paddy Ashdown, he was considered to be one the leading candidates to take over from Mr Steel when the Liberal leader eventually de-

cided to stand down. His death means a by election in a seat which Mr Penhaligon has built into one of the Liberals' safest. He won the constituency from the Conservatives by 464 votes in October, 1974, and at the 1983 election increased his majority to 10.480.

Although much of Mr Penhaligon's vote was a per-David Penhaligon: Shrewd sonal one, the Liberals will

Concern at police bill for soccer

By John Goodbody

Sports News Correspondent The Government is so concerned at the cost of policing football matches in the fight against hooliganism that it has asked the Metropolitan Police to provide a detailed bill.

It costs £13.88 an hour t hire one policeman and the 12 London League clubs last season contributed almost £1 million between them towards the policing at grounds.

Home Office officials concede that the actual cost is 'several times that amount' because of the increasing need to have officers deployed away

from the ground.
Clubs do not contribute to the cost of policemen being on duty in the streets and city centres, before and after

Supt David McCrone, deputy head of the public order national arguish would not be branch of the Metropolitan public by "the possible imprisonment for a short generally shifted from the period of a few people for grounds to the streets partly things they thought they were because of our success inside doing right". the stadium caused by such factors as the introduction of closed-circuit television and

tbe strict segregation of supporters." Ministers are very concerned at the cost involved and will use the evidence in the argument with the Football League that it should introduce 100 per cent membership schemes with identity cards at the 92 League

Mr Dick Tracey, the Sports
Minister, and Mr Douglas
Hogg, Under Secretary of
State at the Home Office, are Continued on page 16, col 8 | Proclamation.

rules out pardons for aides From Christopher Thomas

Reagan

Washington

President Reagan yesterday ruled out a presidential par-don for Lieutenant-Colonel Oliver North and Admiral Jobn Poindexter to enable them to tell the full story of the

Iran-Contra scandal. Congressional investigators are still refusing to accept Mr Reagan's call for limited immunity for the two former National Security Agency of-ficials who presumably know the full story of the affair. Both have refused to testify under their Fifth Amendment rights

against self-incrimination. But many senior members of Congress of both parties are becoming increasingly con-vinced that the only way to uncover the full story of the scandal will eventually be to

grant limited immunity. Mr James Wright, the in-coming Democratic Speaker of the House of Representatives, called for a presidential pardon as "the ultimate act of leadership, the ultimate immunity". But a senior White House official

rejected the idea Many congressmen believe a pardon now would imply that Admiral Poindexter and Colonel North were guilty of a crime. There is also a widespread feeling on Capitol Hill that with the inquiry still in its early stages it would be wrong to interfere with the possibil-

ity of prosecutions if serious crimes were uncovered. Mr Larry Speakes, the White House spokesman, did not totally rule out a future presidential pardon. "The President is not planning a pardon for them, but of course as the Chief Executive one always retains the right for executive elemency," be said. Some senior Republicans and Democrats criticized Mr Wright's call as premature at

this stage of the congressional investigation. But Senator Warren Rudman, the senior Republican on the Senate select committee investigating the scandal, said prolonged

President Reagan's popularity is continuing to plummet and there are increasingly persistent, frank questions about his forgetfulness and whether be is really up to the rigours of the job. An opinion poll among residents of Jowa showed that one in four thought be should resign. Nearly one in five wanted him impeached. Three-quarters of those questioned believed the

Administration was trying to cover up the scandal.

Mr Reagan appeared tense yesterday when he signed a National Day of Prayer

political strategist Continued on page 2, col 4 Meningitis blamed for double death

Two young children from Northamptonshire have died simultaneously from a rare

complication of meningitis.

Nicola, aged 23 months, and James Smith, aged two, were found dead in their beds by their mother, Mrs Sue Smith, on Sunday morning, in tbeir hon Wellingborough. home in

At first pathologists diagnosed a severe throat infection which the children had not been able to fight. But yesterday Kettering's district medical officer, Dr John Rogers, said that bacteriologists at

Kettering General Hospital found evidence of menigoccal meningitis.
"The children died of an unusual complication of meningococcal meningitis. They both had the same reaction, a failure of the adrenal glands which meant

By Jill Sherman The complication, known as Waterhouse Freidericbson, although rare, is often the contributory cause of death in meningitis cases, said Dr James Stuart specialist in community medicine, who is

screening programme in Stonehouse Gloucesterhisre. "The complication is casued by blood poisoning which overwhelms the body and causes a failure of the

adrenal glands. It causes shock and the circulation stops, said Dr Stuart.

Dr Stuart said that some of the deaths in the Gloucester-

shire area bad been caused by the same syndrome. Dr Rogers said that the two other older daughters, Jackie aged 5 and Toni 4. were admitted for observation to Kettering General Hospital on Sunday bot they were both



Quality in an area tehang

Akhoond-Zadeh, the newly appointed charge d'affaires, represented the American oil der after allegedly accused Mr Roger Cooper, a company McDermott Inter- caught with firearms. represented the American oil der after allegedly being that their defence mechanisms discharged early yesterday were shot to pieces," afternoon The Queen to end side-saddle parade

By Robin Young The Queen is to give up expertise, she will drive to and

passenger in a carriage, and will inspect her annual birthday parade from the comfort of the coach equestrianism that most of the coach. The Queen's decision has, according to Buckingham Palattempt. ace, nothing to do with either

For the past 18 years the Queen has ridden her black riding side-saddle at the mare Burmese, at the Troop-Trooping of the Colour in ing. The couple have starred ing. The couple have starred June. Instead of her annual on more than a million picture display of dignified equestrian postcards, and the pose in which people most readily from Horse Guards as a picture the Queen is as the world's best known practitioner of a physically fatigu-

horsewomen no longer even Burmese, who was presecurity or the state of the sented to the Queen by the monarch's health. It is all Royal Canadian Mounted because of the age of her horse. Police at the age of seven, is

now 24. The Queen is 61. But Miss Sylvia Stanier, the horsewoman who acts as royal stand-in at trooping of the colour rehearsals, estimated yesterday that Burmese was by

human standards the equivalent of 90 years old. "I imagine that the powers that be, taking into consideration that horses do not normally live to the age of 24, are rather wary of the fact that they are putting the Queen on

Though the horse is of-

a horse which is more than an old age pensioner", Miss

ficially perfectly fit, the Queen herself thinks it is time that the old black mare should be retired from parades. There is no question of her going to the knackers' yard. Miss Stanier said yesterday; I shall look after Burmese, and 1 can

assure vou everyone else will, until the end of her days". Miss Stanier said that Burmese was "a rare animal in that she always wants to be out in front, which is unusual. In all the years that she has done

the trooping, she has only caused me problems if she is

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NEWS SUMMARY

Man accused of Salisbury death

in Salisbury charged a man with the murder of one of them

last night.

Mr Alexander Macinnes, a public lavatory cleaner employed by Salisbary District Council, was accused of murdering Mrs Beryl Deacon, aged 44, from Ringwood, Hampshire, whose body was discovered in lavatories in Salisbury early on Sunday.

Mr Macinnes, aged 27, of Westwood Rd, Salisbury, appeared before a special sitting of Salisbury magistrates. He made no application for ball and was remanded in custody until tomorrow.

Detectives are still inquiring into the murder of another Salisbury woman, Miss Ruth Perrett, aged 25, a psychiatric patient, who was found strangled on Saturday two miles from where Mrs Deacon's body was discovered.

Maxwell TV foray

Representatives of Mr Robert Maxwell are negotiating in Paris to take an ownership stake in the main French television net-work, which is to be privatized in the new year, in a flotation expected to raise

Mr Maxwell is seeking np to 10 per cent of the equity in the channel, TF1. He and his representatives are said to have had talks with several large French compunies, including Havas, the advertising agency, in an effort to form

Bus row settled

All 74 bus drivers of Merthyr Tydfil Transport, Mid Glamorgan, who were dismissed on Saturday and told to pay back three day's wages that had already been advanced, were yesterday reinstated.

The men lost their jobs after an unofficial strike in support of n colleague who was dismissed for allegedly

issuing a wrong ticket.

After negotiations with
the drivers and union representatives, the company said last night that the drivers were back on

Pit overtime threat

The Yorkshire coalfield could be hit by the biggest dispute since the miners' strike.

Members of the pit deputies' union Nacods at Goldthorpe colliery, near Doncaster, who are on strike, are calling on the 4,000 deputies in Yorkshire to impose an overtime ban after management provided safety cover, a job which they normally do, last weekend.

Today delegates will meet in Barnsley at a Nacods area council meeting to decide whether to impose the overtime ban. Goldthorpe's 60 deputies have not worked since December 14 and 550 members of the National Union of

Mineworkers were sent home without pay.

British Coal said at the weekend that 36 NUM men with branch agreement carried out essential safety work.

Prince is on move

The schooldays of Prince William (right) start n new phase in January when he moves to another pre-prep

Buckingham Palace is not disclosing its name, but an announcement will be made shortly before he is due to begin - possibly in mid-January.

Ten days ago Prince William, aged four, left his nursery school at Notting Hill - after playing the part of an innkeeper in the school's nativity play.

He spent four terms at the school, which is run by Mrs Jane Mynors.



Judges meet target Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, the Lord Chancellor.

has met his promised target of n 10 per cent increase in the circuit beach (Our Home Affairs Correspondent writes). His department announced yesterday that 50 new circuit judges had been appointed in England and Wales in 1986. That is more than in any year since 1972, and brings the to-tal of circuit judges in post at the end of the year to 391, the highest ever. Three of the judges are women - two barristers and one solicitor.

£10m train | Settle line ferry berth for Dover

By Rodney Cowton
Transport Correspondent

Dover Harbour Board is to invest £10 million in a new freight-train ferry berth. . A ferry now under construc-

tion will operate from the berth and will have four times the cargo-carrying capacity of existing rail freight ferries. The board said yesterday it

was confident that the ship and the berth would be able to meet the challenge of the Channel tunnel, which is due to come into operation in 1993. The new berth will become the only one for crosschannel rail freight.

Mr John Potter, deputy managing director of the board, said that the berth was due to be completed in January 1988. The French nationalized railways operator, SNCF, had signed a to-year contract to use the berth, which would ensure that a very high proportion of the project's capital cost would be recovered in that period.

The new ferry is being built in France for SNCF, but British Rail will make extensive use of it. It will carry rail wagons on its lower deck and trucks on its upper deck.

Anart from having much greater cargo-carrying capacity, the new ship will be faster, and its turn-round time at Dover is expected to be at least one hour quicker than existing rail ferries. It is scheduled to make four round trips a day between Dover and

With the closure next month of the British Rail service from Harwich to Zeebrugge in Belgium, it is expected that rail freight traffic through Dover will rise to one million tonnes next year, using existing facilities. Mr Potter said it was quite pos-

sible that it would double Both British Rail and SNCF are planning to operate intensive rail services through the Channel tunnel from 1993. leased an outline of its finan-cial case for closing the route between Carlisle and Settle, beautiful railway line in

British Rail said that between £2.7 million and £4.3 million was needed urgently for the Ribblehead viaduct. In addition there were 20 other viaducts, 14 tunnels and 325 bridges. Total civil engineering costs on the line, excluding

£1.96 million a year, made up dead because of a row within of infrastructure, £950,000, the ranks of the paramilitary depreciation on rolling stock, £210,000. Current revenue was £1 million a year, leaving a loss of nearly £1 million. A rail route is proposed from Leeds to Carlisle via Giggleswick and Carnforth, shot innocent people, blown

'loses £1m each year'

regarded as possibly the most

and a bus route, sponsored by

By a Staff Reporter

gling is defrauding the EEC of

hundreds of thousands of

pounds and threatening rain to

slaughter houses in Northern

The illicit trade in cattle

along the 300-mile Irish bor-

der is showing no sign of

decline in spite of the creation

of special customs task forces

The large profits to be made

by smuggling syndicates and the nature of n border cutting

through farms and even

through homes is making the task of customs officials al-

Farming organizations be-

to deal with the scandal.

most impossible.

British Rail yesterday re-

day to day maintenance, would average £950,000 a year. train operating costs, £800,000, and interest and

out by Mr Ruairi O Bradigh, a who chose to see it.

A fend within the outlawed Irish National Liberation Army is being hlamed for the killing of a self-employed plumber in West Belfast.

Thomas McCartan, aged 31 a father of five, was shot in the head by two gunmen who amhushed him at the gate of his home in Andersonstown at

midnight on Sunday.

He was approaching his house having driven friends home when the gunmen fired shots into his head at pointhlank range before escaping in a hijacked van. The vehicle was later found abandoned a few hundred yards away and police do not suspect that the

killing was sectarian. It is the second murder to hit the family. Nine years ago. Mr Jack McCartan, the dead man's father, who was the manager of a local social club,

was shot dead. Yesterday the Provisional IRA denied any involvement in the killing of Mr McCartan and detectives are working on On-going costs would total the theory that he was shot

organization.
Dr Joe Hendron, a Social Democratic and Labour Party councillor, said the shooting demonstrated the nature of the "paramilitary scourge" faced by West Belfast. "During the past week they have them up by mistake and British Rail, between Appleby damaged their homes and

cent disparity between the green pound of the UK and the

punt of the Irish Republic is

closed will the cattle smag-

clear for more traditional

The European Community's

green currency is the mecha-

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enjoying a trading advantage over fellow member states

because of a fall in the value of

The disparity between the

UK and Irish Republic devel-

oped in the summer when the

Duhlin government devalued

its currency by 6 per cent

followed by a similar cut in the

But there has been no

items such as liquor.

its currency.

green punt.

lieve that only when the 26 per similar reduction in the UK's to £150 per animal."

Young orders review after Rhine pollution

through West Germany and the Netherlands to the North Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Employ-The review will include ment, has ordered a review of

By Sheila Gunn Political Staff

the escape of hazardous waste,

The recent upsurge in ter-rorism in Northern Ireland

has been blamed on the split within the Provisional IRA

over its policy of not participating in the Dail, the

Senior RUC officers believe

that defections from the Pro-

visional movement have forc-

ed the military men to launch

a bombing onslaught as a means of reassuring their

supporters that the terrorist

campaign is not being down-

in the wake of carefully

planned Provisional IRA

bomh attacks on hotels and

bars at the weekend, the RUC

yesterday renewed its warning

to the province that terrorists

were intent on continuing

their campaign over Christ-

A statement issued from RUC headquarters said: "The

main reason for these attacks

is the need within the Pro-

visional IRA leadership to

counter increasing defections to the rival Republican Sinn

"The public are again urged to exercise maximum vigi-

lance not only in the days

coming up to Christmas, but

Security forces in the North

expected an increase in Pro-

visional IRA violence after its

political wing, Provisional Sinn Fein, decided at its

annual conference to abandon 'abstentionism" and allow elected representatives to take

their seats in the Irish Republic's parliament.

The decision led to a walk-

Shooting

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on feud

also in the new year period."

mas and into the new year.

Dublin parliament.

graded.

investigating the requirements emergency plans to deal with for firms to keep local councils up to date on sites which could as a result of the Rhine pose a major hazard.

Environment ministers quicklyclaimed last month that The aim is to see if any tighter safety rules in Britain lessons can be learnt from the pollution catastrophe which would prevent a disaster simibegan with the discharge of lar to that at the Sandoz agricultural pesticides into the warehouse in Basle, Switzerriver in Switzerland and killed land, where 30 tons of pestioff all aquatic life in the Rhine cides and a mercury comp-

former party president, who founded Republican Sinn

Fein, which in recent weeks has been setting up its organization in the North.

It was expected that the Provisional IRA leaders, who

publicly backed the decision

to drop abstentionism, would

attempt to increase their ter-

rorist offensive to reassure

traditionalists and sceptics of

the new policy that the bomb and hullet would remain a

main part in their campaign.

the police federation have

publicly criticized Cardinal

Tomás O Fiaich's remark that

cardinal's comments as "hurt-

ful, unconstructive and un-

helpful", particularly as the

force was offering every en-

couragement to recruit more

Roman Catholics so the RUC

would be more representative.

force is approximately 90 per

cent Protestant and 10 per

cent Roman Catholic with

senior officers privately ad-

mitting that they face diffi-

culties in recruiting national-

ists, who in many cases have

to completely dissociate them-

selves from their community

But in their statement the RUC said that as professional

police officers they resented Cardinal O Fiaich's com-

ments and had no need to

assert their impartiality as the

record was there for everyone

Pay bonus

for stress

criticized

The BBC in Northern Ire-

on joining the force.

The composition of the

Meanwhile the RUC and

Rise in bomb

attacks put

down to new

split in IRA

But there is now considerable confusion on whether such a disaster would be caught by the present safety measures in Britain. This is made worse because responsibility for dealing with pollu-tion is shared between the Departments of Environment

and Employment. Lord Young, who has responsibility for the Health Safety Executive, de-

arrangements for monitoring sites with the greatest major accident hazard. This enables councils to draw up off-site emergency plans to deal with any leakage.

"These arrangements will be reviewed in the light of the accident at Basle," he said.

The Department of Environment said it knew nothing about the review and empha-est major accident hazard

ound were washed into the Rhine by firemen fighting a blaze.

Response of the Rhine by firemen fighting a blaze.

Sevent in a written reply to sized that, since Britain had adopted the EEC's Seveso blaze.

Democratic peer, the present directive strict safety measures were already in force.

But the Health and Safety Executive said it did not yet know whether a Basic-type incident would be covered by the present law.

Under the Control of Industrial Major Accident Hazards regulations (Cimah) 1982, owners of about 200 plants, designated as having the great-

sized that, since Britain had potential, have to notify local

"We do not know yet if the warehouse at Easle would have been classified in Britain as a notifable site. We are waiting for information from

what was stored there. "We believe about 32 different chemicals were involved and some were even banned pesticides - slored and awaiting disposal"

the firm in Basic about exactly

MPs grieve for David Penhaligon



The wreckage of David Penhaligon's smashed Rover is taken away from the crash site.

until the allegations that the Continued from page 1 force operated a shoot-to-kill expect to hold the seat with a policy were cleared up, nationalists would be relucgood majority. tant to join the force.

The RUC described the

Last night some Liberals were privately hoping that Mr John Pardoe, the former MP for North Cornwall and still a leading figure in the party, would be tempted to make a comeback to the Commons which he left in 1979.

Mr Pardoe, who was defeated by Mr Steel in the contest for the leadership after the resignation of Mr Jeremy Thorpe, has already taken on the post of chairman of the Alliance's general election

vate business commitments. His return to Westminster would be welcomed by his Liberal colleagues, not least

Mr Penhaligon was one of Britain's most widely-liked MPs, regularly appearing on radio and television. He was often on BBC television's Question Time programme, and was one of three politicians who stood in for Jimmy Young on his morning radio programme when the broadcaster went on holiday

His ready wit and familiar

planning group and has pri- Cornish accent were obvious attractions to producers, Mr Penhaligon often joked to his colleagues that he was a "professional Cornishman", and that he was regularly invited to appear on the media not in his role as a Liberal spokesman but because he was Cornish.

His loss is a shattering blow to the Liberals, and to Mr Steel who was always grateful for his private advice.

The Liberal leader was in his constituency yesterday when Mr David Alton, the party's chief whip, telephoned him to tell him of the tragedy.

Mr Steel immediately rang Mr Penhaligon's wife Annette to express his sympathy. The Prime Minister was

said to be deeply shocked, and was writing a letter of sympathy to Mr Penhaligon's family.

Dr Owen said: "In the political life of the West Country David Penhaligon will be irreplaceable. He was a colourful, charismatic and courageous Cornishman. West Country Conservative

MPs were warm in their tributes. Mr David Harris (St Ives) said he and other Cornish MPs were shattered.

Gallery appeal launched

Tate seeks £2.9m Constable

By John Young

launch an appeal to buy Constable's "The Opening of Waterloo Bridge" and the National Heritage Memorial Fund is making a £I million grant towards the purchase.

The Tate appeal begins on January 27 for the balance of the £2.9 million needed to acquire the painting from its owner, Mrs A. J. Sheldon, daughter of the late Mr Harry Ferguson, one of the founders of the Massey-Ferguson tractor empire.

National Heritage's grant is the largest yet made by the attached to what is generally

night that, because of the painting's historic as well as artistic significance, it was inconceivable that it should be allowed to leave the country.

The gallery's trustees have already committed £500,000 from their annual allocation towards its purchase. A further £250,000 has been promised by the National Art-Collections Fund, its largest ever dishursement, and £100,000 by the Friends of the

Tate Gallery. The painting, first publicly fund for a single work of art exhibited at the Royal Acad-and reflects the importance emy in 1832, depicts the opening of the bridge by the

Given the present diffi-culties of the United States'

presidency. British ministers

are hoping and expecting that

increasing importance.
Mrs Thatcher has made

clear that she intends to raise

with Mr Gorbachov a 50 per

cent cut in strategic nuclear

weapons by the United States

and Soviet Union, the elimin-

ation of longer range inter-mediate nuclear weapons in

Europe and a ban on chemical

weapons.

The Tate Gallery is to painter's greatest master- King George IV, in 1817. It measures 86½ ins hy 53 ins and A leading art expert said last is described as one of the three A spokesman for the Tate

said that the trustees regarded its acquisition as essential to its collection which, although rich in Constables, contained only one other canvas measuring more than 6ft across, "The Marine Parade and Old Chain Pier, Brighton", which was purchased for the nation for £15,000 in 1950. Constable saw it as one of his most

is £4 million, but its price will be reduced to £2,9 million by

US firm plans new HQ on

Goldman Sachs, the US investment house, has bought the Fleet Street printing works of The Daily Telegraph to redevelop the site as its

Rothesay Developments, a small property development company which bought the freehold site from the news-paper in 1984. Neither side will reveal how much has been paid but prices are rising rapidly in the Fleet Street area as the newspaper industry

tower block on the 1.15 acre site with more than 200,000 sq ft of offices and it is believed that Goldman Sachs will build at least that amount for its own occupation. The scheme could cost about £100 million.

Goldman Sachs has been

Bid to let TV into committee

By Martin Fletcher Political Reporter

MPs are to make fresh moves to have the proceedcommittees televised when they return from the Christmas break, and this time they believe they stand a good chance of success.

One significant new factor which could work in their favour has been the positive impact on public opinion of watching newsclips of President Reagan's aides being grilled on the Iran arms affair by the House of Repre-sentatives foreign affairs committee.

Mr Austin Mitchell, Labour MP for Grimshy, tabled an Early Day Motion last June which was signed by 162 MPs from all parties who were in favour of televising select

committees.

Mr Mitchell is now planning to table another EDM for which he believes he can secure well over 200 signatures. He also hopes to introduce a

ten-minute rule hill. If that. too, is well-supported, Mr John Biffen, Leader of the House, will be under strong pressure to find time for a half-day debate at the end of which MPs would have a free

The last similiar debate was in November 1985, when MPs rejected by just 12 votes a move to allow the Commons itself to be televised for an experimental period. The surprise defeat was attributed to the last minute change of heart of Mrs Thatcher, who had earlier come round to the idea.
To allow carneras into the committee rooms, however,

would be seen as a significant step towards allowing them into the actual chamber. Sir Edward du Cann, former chairman of the Conservative backbench 1922 committee and a sponsor of the first EDM, said last night that there was now no doubt that tele-

vision would be introduced in

some form in the Commons. He believed this fresh attempt to televise select committees could succeed because televising the Lords had proved successful; because it represented a conciliatory compromise following the exclusion of cameras from the chamber, and because there was an increasing realization that chat shows and television interviews were taking over from Parliament as the politi-

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cal forum of the nation.

Date of Thatcher visit to Moscow is agreed

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Prime Minister is to ambassador for 23 years. firmed last night.

to give an important boost to Mrs Thatcher in election year,

Civil Servants at the Northern Ireland Office receive no extra allowance, though soldiers get a Northern Ireland allowance of £2.45 a day to compensate for the high cost of living, unsocial hours and

Some businessmen said that the payment of bonuses set a damaging precedent and that those who had paid them in the early years had found it difficult to stop the practice once the scale of the troubles

green pound and so to ensure that Irish farmers receive the

EEC common price on their

exports to Britain they claim

£120 to £140 per cow or

To prevent farm produce

being exported from the UK

into other member states

where higher prices operate,

the EEC imposes a levy per head of cattle. It is this subsidy system which the

cattle smugglers in the north

have been exploiting for three

One person involved in the

meat trade said: "The cattle go down on the hoof, are killed in

the republic and then exported to Britain with a subsidy of up

carcass sent to the UK.

gling decline, leaving the field an export subsidy of between

land was criticized by the Confederation of British Industry in the province yesterday for paying a £300 bonus to staff because of the stress they had endured this year.

The corporation refused to comment on the payment of the bonus to each of its 700 workers, amidst private criticism from businessmen and anger from Unionist and

nationalist politicians. The CBI criticized the payment of such bonuses, saying it implied that everyone employed by the Corporation was operating in what could be regarded as a war zone.

ing people from the province and elsewhere denied that their staff received additional payment for working in the north. Spokesmen for Marks & Spencer, British Midland airline and British Airways said that no bonuses or "danger" money were paid.

Major companies employ-

regarded as one of the Prince Regent, subsequently

visit Moscow shortly before Easter, Downing Street con-The trip, which Conservative strategists are expecting

will last three days. The dates were agreed in principle at a Downing Street meeting yesterday between Mrs Thatcher and Mr Leonid Zamyatin, the Soviet ambassador, who took with him a message from Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader. It was the latest in the

between the British and Soviet governments. Last week the British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir Bryan Cartledge, had a meeting with Mr Gorbachov, the first formal talks between a

then legally re-exported back

across the border n few days

later with farmers claiming the

Last month an estimated

40,000 cattle were illegally

taken across the border with

sungglers driving them in

trucks with false number

plates across unapproved

With many farms straddling

the border it is an almost

impossible task for customs

officials, whose job has been

made more difficult by reports

that false animal ear tags have

been manufactured so that

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increasing stream of contacts

Tory strategists believe that the visit will have electoral advantages, underlining Mrs Thatcher's status as a world leader. Mr Gorbachov has made plain that he regards the trip as Kremlin leader and a British being of great importance.

Cattle smugglers defraud EEC subsidy animals brought illegally from the north appear to be legiti-mate cattle from the Irish In a small number of cases cattle are moved into the south

Republic. Slaughter houses in Northern Ireland have been affected by the smuggling, with plants suffering a 20 per cent decline in the months until November and there is concern that things may get worse if the smuggling continues at its present rate.

roads or dropping them in fields at night where they are Although extra customs led a few hundred yards into officers have been sent to border areas, farming organizations fear their impact has been minimal.

One man said: "The only way we will get a satisfactory have a meaningful devaluation of the green nound."

important achievements. The asking price for "The Opening of Waterloo Bridge"

Telegraph site

By Judith Huntley Commercial Property Correspondent

Britain's role in East-West talks in the wake of the Reykjavik summit will be of London headquarters. Goldman Sachs has bought

> moves away. Rothesay planned to build a

The Daily Telegraph has built a £75 million printing plant in London's Docklands and its journalists are due to move to a huilding near hy on the Isle of Dogs next year. Its sale to Rothesay involved a complicated agreement over initial payments and a share of development profits, but the exact financial details were not disclosed.

searching for a large amount of space in the City's square mile for some time hut has heen unable to find new offices. The move to Fleet Street reflects the dire shortage of top quality offices in the City, where rents are soaring on the back of strong demand and scarcity of supply in the solution of this problem is to wake of the Big Bang, the de-

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Inquest is

told how

WPC died

in chase

A young police constable yesterday described the last

seconds of a high-speed car chase in which WPC Debbie Leat was killed.

PC Richard Cadden, aged

20, was co-driver of a police

Ford Escort which chased a second Escort through the

streets of Bristol, Avon, at

speeds of up to 80mph. He told an inquest in Bristol

yesterday that he had sug-

gested chasing the car after hearing it revving its engine at traffic lights while he and 20-

year-old WPC Leat, known to

her colleagues as "Action

Girl", were parked.
He said: "WPC Lear slowed to follow the orange Escort

through red lights then accel-erated up to 80 miles per hour

when the car in front suddenly turned off in the right.

then is Dehhie screaming my

name, 'Rich'. I closed my eyes

and when I opened them again

I could feel a sharp pain in my

something. When I looked over to Dehhie I saw she was

trapped and feared the worst."
PC Cadden said he found

the car radio did not work and

he had to kick his way out of the wrecked vehicle before struggling to a bench where he waited until firemen arrived.

The inquest was told that

the car had probably been

flying through the air when it

hit a tree.

Sgt Graham Bates, who arrived on the scene shortly afterwards, said the car had

probably swerved due to the

damp road surface which had

tended to draw the rear of the

Mr Donald Hawkins, the

Avon coroner, recorded a

verdict of accidental death on

WPC Leat, of Samuel White

Road Hanham, Bristol. Police are still trying to trace

the driver of the car being

car out and cause it to slide.

"We had collided with

chest

"I felt we had gone too far to the left. We went past the junction and all I remember

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d A confidence trickster who duped Miss Sarah Lambert, a London secretary, into parting with more than £1,000, was iailed for three years yes-

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Joseph Hanson had pleaded guilty to "deliberate, coldhlooded, carefully planned and calculated fraud", Judge Norwood, passing sentence, said at Isleworth Crown Court, west London.

She ordered that the sentence run consecutively to one that Hanson is presently serv-ing, which ends in February 1988.

The disappearance of the Miss Lambert, aged 26, for four days in mid-August started a nationwide hunt.

Hanson, aged 41, a former driving instructor, of Garratt Lane. Earlsfield, south London, admitted six charges of deception, three involving Miss Lambert, one each involving a car hire company, a botel, and a bed-and-hreakfast establishment.
The judge told him: "You

are preying on the more defenceless members of our society. You did it at a time when you were meant to be going back 10 prison, from which you had quite inexplicably been released for the weekend."

The court was told that Hanson overstayed his weekend leave from prison, posed as a prosperous businessman met Miss Lambert through an employment agency. He offered her a salary

Christmas

jail threat

for drivers

By Peter Evans Home Affairs

Correspondent

before.

society.

tests requested by the Not-

tinghamshire force is up by a

third on the average of 925 for

the previous three years. The

1,525 requests this year have

led to 5g drivers being ar-

rested, or 3.8 per cent. The

previous average for a similar

force engaged in random test-

ing saying the powers of the police were adequate.

Gloucestershire police fig-

ures for positive tests in three

man could not say how many

tests there had been. There

had been a national agreement

Drivers were warned ves

"Drinking and driving is a lethal cocktail. The only safe

drink is a soft drink.

positive results, he said.

Chief Supt Storey denied his

period was 3.6 per cent.

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of £12,500, elothing allowance "Clearly these two people got and car.

She paid out various sums. believing she would be re- son, in his interview with imbursed, and her total loss police, indicated that there was a little more than £1,060. Mr Jeremy Carter-Manning, for the prosecution, said.

Hanson promised her an increase in salary to £21,000 and that sbe would meet famous people. A trip to the United States was also

Eventually, Hanson abandoned her at Basingstoke railway station where after several hours waiting for him to return, she rang a friend and was found by the police. Hanson was arrested a day

later by a private detective, who identified him in Reading. Berkshire, after seeing his photograph on television.

Mr Carter-Manning said
that there had been a romantic



Miss Sarah Lambert: victim of a 'cold-blooded' fraud

each other and certainly Hanmay have been an element of that in both directions.
"But what he makes quite

clear is that the fault for what occurred arose entirely from his deceptions and his promises to her rather than from

anything else."
The court was told that Hanson had committed similar tricks before. He even had a name for them - "meal ticket

Mr Mark Batchelor, for the defence, said that Hanson was a conman who used his knowledge of human weakness to get meals, comfortable hotels and female company. He had once said that if Bo

Derek came for an interview and did not have an Access card it would be no good. He was a "macho man", Mr Batchelor said.

The judge told Hanson: "I have no doubt at all that you

will do this again, you've been doing it for years, and you always pick up some young girl among others you defraud. • Miss Lambert's disappearance between Friday, August 15, and Monday, August 18, was linked at first with the presumed abduction of Miss Susannah Lamplugh, an estate agent who had vanished after going to show a man called "Mr Kipper" a house in Fulham. Police later discounted any link.

University elects first woman head

By Mark Dowd, Education Reporter

governing body. Mrs Stella Clarke, a former

breath test after being stopped by police in Nottinghamshire on Christmas Day are likely to be locked up until Boxing Day if they have been in trouble has been elected chairman of the university council from Acting Chief Superinten- July 1987.

She will succeed Dr Richard Hill, a local industrialist who dent Roger Storey, head of the county's traffic department, said yesterday the drivers will is to become one of the be held for the protection of university's three pro-chancelthe public for the remand lors.

court on Boxing Day, because one does not sit on Christmas Day. The qualification is a previous conviction in the last Clarke will have the ultimate As head of the 64-member five years or a similar offence responsibility for handling the Nottinghamshire is setting ing staff and ensuring building the pace in the first crucial maintenance.

Indeed, her appointment is period in the Department of in keeping with Bristol's Transport's £600,000 seasonal campaign against drinking and driving, which hinges on reputation as a trend-setter in matters of female equality. In such slogans as: "If you drink ! 1876, as University College, it and drive you're a menace to became the first institution of higher education to admit women on the basis of equal-In three days since Decemity with men. ber 19, the number of hreath

Mrs Clarke, aged 54, who was educated at Cheltenham Ladies' College and Trinity College, Dublin, said yes- Mrs Clarke: "It is a great terday: "I am honoured to be challenge."

Bristol is poised to become taking over this important the first university with a post at a time which is very woman at the head of its main difficult for universities nationally,"

The new chairman-elect will governor of the BBC and sister
of Mr Tom King, Secretary of
in public life will attract less
State for Northern Ireland,
danger than her experience as danger than her experience as a magistrate which she began

Two years ago she was taken hostage in her own court by a prisoner who threatened her with a broken decanler and held her for several minutes before police intervened to

Mrs Clarke is married with



Aids virus is rampant

vesterday.

days have jumped from 17 last year to 25 this. But a spokes-Dr lan Franklin was giving haemophiliac who died from Aids after being treated with not to give the total, only of contaminated Factor & plasma

terday not to rely on the use of alcohol self-test kits. The ham's Queen Elizabeth Hosp-Automobile Association said: ital, said that Peter Eustace, aged 30, a haemophiliac since These devices do not necessarily show when the blood birth, had been treated with alcohol content is at its neak. Factor 8 for a number of years. They encourage drivers to play Russian roulette with lives by drinking up to the

sponsible for his infection had been imported from the United States but since the dangers were recognized all Factor 8

 AA patrols will, as always, be operating normally on Christmas Day and Boxing Day, providing 24 breakdown Factor 8 but at present only effects." and relay service cover.

among haemophiliacs
Two-thirds of the 90 between 10 and 25 per cent

harm area are infected with the lin the Birmingham area Aids virus, an inquest was told between 85 and 90 haemo-

with the virus. nported from the US. dict of "death by mis-Dr Franklin, a consultant adventure" on Mr Eustace, a imported from the US. graphic artist, of Dryden haematologist at Birming-

Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham. He said he would write to the regional health authority suggesting that more resources The Factor 8 plasma re- be allocated for the follow-up of Aids victims and possible contacts.

lin said: "I would like to make had been heat treated before it clear that only a very few of these people actually have He said it was hoped that by the end of next year the UK. Aids. The others have anti-bodies in their blood but are would be self-sufficient in not showing any of the

mugging and could only be described as bemiliations," she said. The philiacs were under treatment and it had been found that two women were forced to wear evidence on the death of a thirds of these were infected identity tags.
"We refused, and we were A judge at the Central Criminal Court who has taken The coroner, Dr Richard punished, not once hut n lot." Whittington, recorded a ver-She was once knocked un-

ment of a sick fellow prisoner. She spoke of her struggle for human rights. "When I

> "They said I would not be allowed. When I asked: 'Who would not allow me - the crocodiles?' they said: "No, our authority."

> "From that time, I have preferred to deal with crocodiles."

Irina Ratushinskaya, the poet, and Igor Gerashchenko, her husband, meeting Mrs Thatcher at Downing Street yesterday

Freed poet will stay in West

By Mary Dejevsky

Irina Ramshinskaya, the dissident Russian poet, who is in London after leaving the Soviet Union last week, says that she and her husband plan to remain in the West, at least for the time being.
Miss Ratushinskaya, aged

32, said at a press conference yesterday that she had never felt so free in her life. She thanked all those in Britain who had campaigned on her behalf, and also read out an open letter to Mr Gorbachov, thanking him for the release of Andrei Sakharov. In it she expressed the hope that this would be a first step to the release of all political

After the conference she visited Mrs Thatcher at

Downing Street.
Miss Ratushinskaya was released from prison camp in October after serving four years of a seven-year sentence for writing poems the anthori-ties considered anti-Soviet.

She said she spent about one day in every three in either the camp prison or a punishment cell. The policy seemed to be not just to isolate political detainees from society, but to make them renounce their views, she said. She described her worst

moments as when camp of-ficials told her that her husband, Igor Gerashchenko, could be executed for his dissident activities. When she was arrested, she said, she and her husband had both pledged not to testify against each other.

David Astor, speaking for the Irina Trust, one of the organizations which campaigned in Britain for her release, said Miss skaya had now had a full medical check-up. She was very emaciated, but otherwise had no outstanding medical problems. In prison she had suffered from high blood pressure, blackouts and kid-

ney pains.

Miss Ratushinskaya said that in the four years she spent in the camp, physical torture was not necessary: "They refined it down to extreme cold, extreme filth and extreme hunger.

"Frequently the measures applied to us were senseless

conscious when she went on hunger strike over the treat-

was five years old, I told grown-ups that when I was grown op myself I would move to Africa to see monkeys and

information leading to the

Children's charity inquiry

Suspicion over cash appeal

By David Sapsted

mend would be to contact the

Scotland Yard confirmed

the first thing I would recom-An unregistered charity being investigated for fraud has made a Christmas appeal in thousands of hospital staff to raise money for bolidays for deprived children, it was dis-

closed yesterday The organization Holidep (Holidays for Deprived Children) is run by a self-employed husinessman from a dilapidated terraced house near Crystal Palace, south London. It has asked hospitals throughout Britain to send donations in "the largest bank notes possible." Mr Dennis Peach, Chief

Charity Commissioner, said yesterday that he viewed the methods employed by Holidep with "great suspicion". The main charity supposedly benefiting from the money raised has dissociated itself from the appeal.

Mr Peach said yesterday that, because Holidep was not registered as a charity, there was nothing the Charity Commission could do. "However, if such organizations demand money in bank notes,

cerated for years within four walls of their institutional home". He said that such practices were jeopardizing the public's goodwill towards

yesterday that a man aged 44 from Holidep had been arrested last month after allegations of fraud, but had been released pending further inquiries. Two other people whose names appear on the Holidep appeal are being sought. Holidep has asked hospitals

to charge entrance fees at Christmas parties and send the money to the group's headquarters. Dr Barnardo's, whose children Holidep claimed would

ubstances.

"I have a son who is
Shortly afterwards, Mr unfortunately a very famous

Mark Golding, aged 20, one of person. I have got to think of the men arrested with the pop all the other children and

singer, was taken from a house young people, and older peo-

in Notting Hill, west London, ple, who are on their way to

Paddington, where he died drugs."

from a suspected overdose of He accused drug dealers of

methadone, a synthetic nar- manipulating people and be-

be among those to benefit, has failed to obtain a list of hospitals approached by the group. The children's home ucaun journals dissociating itself from the appeal.

Dr Bill Beaver, Dr Barnardo's publicity director, said that the appeal and the property of the considered by the consider

said that the appeal was grossly misleading because it tion to specify how the money portrayed Barnardo children raised will be spent nor the as sometimes "being incar- amount to be retained.

Boy George drugs dossier

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

and taken to hospital in

from a suspected overdose of

cotic used in treating heroin

The problem for both the Charity Commission and the police is that any charity. registered or not, does not have to give a set amount to the charitable causes it professes in support.
Mr Ivan James Saxton, the

Secretary of Holidep, who describes himself as a husinessman, said that he hoped to raise hundreds of thousands of pounds in establish his group's own holiday camp.
Failing that, be said, smaller

amounts would be given to recognized charities to pro-

freed by **Appeal Court**

Jailed head

Appeal. The court allowed an appeal

by Derek Slade, aged 37, former head of Dalesdown prep school at Dial Post, near Horsham. West Sussex, against the three-month senthreats when it became known was released on police bail want to get across to the young that be was prepared to give pending the analysis of people of this country."

Lord Justice Stephen Br

been due for release from Lewes Prison in mid-January. Slade, who had admitted two assaults on pupils, was said to have beaten a boy of eight for writing a 363-word essay instead of 400 words. At the time of the crown court hearing, Slade, a Church of England lay reader, was living with a sister in Derby-

Judge's plea in

information to police on the substances.

dealers supplying drugs to people in the the pop music

Mr Gerald O'Dowd, aged

56, from south London, said

he had prepared a secret dossier which he had lodged

with a solicitor. Mr O'Dowd

said he was prepared to name

dealers not only because of

what they had done to his son hut also for all the young

children in the playgrounds

who can get drugs as easily as

Scotland Yard said yes-

terday that police were always

ready to investigate any

information passed to them by

world.

swcets"

the public.

By Kenneth Gosling

a personal interest in the velfare of a court usher attacked by muggers has apnealed to the public to turn detective and track down the attackers before Christmas. Judge Argyle, QC, said yesterday it would be "a nice

Rosena Jones, if the culprits were arrested soon. It was after Miss Jones, aged 60, was amhushed hy two young men outside Mile End Underground station in October that Judge Argyle put up a personal reward of £100 for

present" for the victim, Miss

arrest of the assailants. He also launched a collection for Miss Jones, who was robbed of her handbag containing a cheque book, keys, credit cards and £90. Although there have so far been no arrests, several of the

cheques have been forged and

passed, giving rise to hopes

that the attackers will be The judge had earlier de-scribed the attack as a particularly revolting one on an elderly defenceless woman.

Miss Jones was able to return to work soon after she was attacked although she received black eyes, a swollen nose and throat injuries. She fought back and bit one of the

After Judge Argyle's appeal, contributions came in from

other judges and from journalists. lawyers, prison officers and court staff. In court yesterday, the judge said, "There is very good information as to the identity

Scotland Yard said that a ing to kill them. That's why l post mortem examination on am doing it. It's no good the dead man had yet to be anybody threatening me. My arranged but the inquest will life is short anyway." Mr O'Dowd, who has had a be opened on January 31. number of heart attacks, said After the death, Mr O'Dowd disclosed the existence of his he and his family had been

dossier. He said: "You have forced to watch what drugs seen the pictures of my son in had done in Boy George.

their deaths by the abuse of

ing ready to tempt children.

These scum are outside wait-

A prep school headmaster, jailed for assaulting two of his pupils by beating them, has been freed by the Court of

The father of Boy George, the pop singer, yesterday said he had received telephone and searched for drugs. He to my son, this is the message I

tence imposed at Chichester Crown Court last month.

own, sitting with Mr Justice Tudor Evans and Mr Justice French, set aside the jail term and granted Slade a 12-month conditional discharge. With remission, be had

shire. He has sold the school

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TV programmes for 1987

BBC spends £75m on 100 new shows

ised viewers more than 100 new programmes in a £75 million television package for the new year.

The money is being spent mainly on "home grown" ma-lerial which will give viewers 1,590 hours of BBC-originated programmes in the first three months of 1987.

On the comedy front Jasper Carrott returns with a new late night Saturday show and Young Ones' stars Rik Mayall and Nigel Planer have a new comedy series called Filthy Rich and Catflat.

Dawn French and Jennifer Sanuders have their own variety show and comedy crosses the border in Foreign Bodies, a new series set in Belfast, and looks at the future in Red Dwarf, a space-age series.

Boh Monkhouse will bost the revival of former ITV Two film, Coast to Coast. show, Opportunity Knocks, and zany comedian Kenny Everett will present a new quiz game called Brainstorm.

Tom O'Connor will have his own daytime show and returning favourites include Bread: the Mistress; Tony Brittan and Nigel Havers in Don't Wait Up; Les Dennis in the Laughter Show and Rory Bremner with Now Something Else.

Stars appearing in new drama productions include lan Hoge, in a 10-part police series, Rockliffe's Babies, and Sosan Penhaligon in Fay Weldon's first original series for TV, Heart of the Country. Boh Peck, Miranda Rich-

star in Screen Two productions

and Lenny Henry gets his first

Ian Richardson plays the traitor, Anthony Blunt, in

After the inquest Dr Frank-

Biunt, and Cheryl Campbell stars in A Sort of Innocence a six-part serial set in the West Midlands.

The season will also include a four-part adaptation of the Diary of Anne Frank, Nerys Hughes returns as the District Nurse. Other popular series returning include Miss Marple, Bergerac, One-by-One and Strike It Rich.

Announcing the package Mr Michael Grade, BBC TV's director of programmes, said: "Innovation is our resolution for the new year - in drama, ardson and Joanne Whalley entertainment, and factual programmes there will be new ideas, new format and new

familiar favourites. Among the main offerings in the new year is Crisis, in which three leading politicians will be confronted with an imaginary hijack.

The programme will go out over two hours on a Sunday night and Roy Jenkins, Francis Pym and Gerald Kaufman, will have to decide, aided by expert legal, military and diplomatic advisers, how to tackle the hijack of a British airliner, forced to land in Beirut.

Series brought in from abroad include the return of Cagney and Lacey, two new comedy shows from America -Perfect Strangers, and Head the Class - and from Australia o five part mini-series, Anzacs, with Paul

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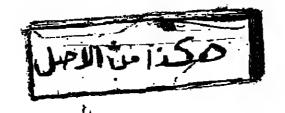
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Lord Devlin opposed to ending juror challenge

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent Lord Devlin, the former law are certain to fuel the mount-

lord, has come out against the Government's proposal to abolish the defence right of challenge to jurors. He said that he was against

any diminution of the right of peremptory challenge" unless, at the same time, action was taken to develop the procedure of challenge for cause", that is, with reason.

Before we interfere with peremptory challenge we should see if there can be a proper procedure for challenge for cause."
He was also critical of the

Government's intention to end the defence right of chall-enge while leaving intact the crown's right to ask jurors to

"stand by".

"I have always said there must be an equal deal for both. If the peremptory challenge is removed, the crown must give up the right to stand by."
Instead, he said, there must
be a proper system of chall-

enge for cause for both sides. The former law lord's comments come as the Gov-ernment is preparing for a tough fight in Parliament over its proposals, contained in the Criminal Justice Bill.

Lord Devlin said that he would not favour such an expansion of challenge for cause that one would "go the way of the Americao system".

In the United States, jurors were endlessly challenged over a period of days or even weeks before a trial, and the whole procedure had become a sort "preliminary canter", he

In Britain challenge for cause had become discredited in the last century and fallen into disuse. But it was worth considering whether through legislation or "by ascertaining the attitude of judges" the pro-cedure could be reformed, Lord Devlio said. But if you merely put

forward a proposal for ending peremptory challenge without seeing if anything can be done about challenge for cause I do not support it." The comments by Lord

Devlio, for long a passionate supporter of the jury system.

ing debate.
The Law Society and the Criminal Bar Association, as well as civil libertarians, are

against the proposal and Mr David Cocks, QC, chairman of the Bar association, has given a warning that abolinon of the defence right of challenge "may well be contrary to our larger obligations under the European Convention on Human Rights".

would also "create the appearance and the reality of a massive imbalance in the Lord Devlin made a forceful submission, to the Roskill

committee on fraud trials, in favour of keeping juries in complex fraud cases, and the Government has for the present adopted that view.
Mr David Mellor, Minister

of State at the Home Office, has rejected the criticisms made by the Bar association and said that the present system of peremptory chall-enge "completely distorts the composition of the jury".

He pointed out that the crown use of "stand by" was to be confined, by published guidelines, to strictly limited categories of cases.

The present system force defeoce lawyers to manipulate a right in a way calculated to secure their client's acquittal, and it was "embarrassing and offensive" to jurors, who gave up their time to do jury service only to be stood down without



Lord Devlin, who wants a

newspapers carrying a petrol

into a building supplies shop on the seond day of riots last

year, after a visit to the area by Mr Douglas Hurd, Home

photograph by police and a

woman who knew him but he

went into hiding in London for a few days before giving

When it came to his trial

Hazell had changed his appearance from when the photograph was taken. Instead

of jeans and a floppy cap he

vore spectacles, a smart suit

himself up

£1m is left | Bomber in to school photo is by old boy jailed

1 million Christmas wind fall in the will of a former

Mr Norman Sharpe, a bachelor, who died last July, aged 79, rarely visited his old school, Giggleswick, near Settle, North Yorkshire, where he was a day boy between 1921 and 1925. But he retained a deep affection for the school, which has a royal charter dating from the 1500s.

Mr Sharpe, OBE, and holder of the American Legion of Hooour for wartime services, was the former chairman and managing director of a greetings card and fine art business in Bradford, West Yorkshire.

The family business, which was established by his grandfather, was taken over recently by Hallmark of the United

Mr Peter Hobson, headmaster of the £5,000-a-year school, which has about 400 boys and girls aged eight to 18, said yesterday that the bequest was "totally unexpec-

He added: "Everyone here is deeply grateful to him for this marvellous demonstration of faith in his nid school and his belief in independent

education. He said he thought the legacy would be used for investment to further guar-antee the school's long-term

"We shall then cousider other possible benefits fur present and future generations

of boys and girls. Giggleswick can now face the future with even greater confidence. We are now in an even stronger position to make a substantial contribution to the fature prosperity of in-dependent education in the

oorth of England."
Mr Sharpe left more than £2 mllion, about half his fortune going to the school. Other beneficiaries will include his family, and certain former employees of bis old

He is survived by a brother, Donald, who lives in retire-ment near Ilkley, Wes! York-

shire, and has no children. Mr Edward Green, aged 71. a lifelong husiness friend of Mr Sharpe and executor of his estate, said: "He was a most able businessman and tutally dedicated to huilding up bis business. But he always had the interests of his workers at

"Mr Sharpe lived very quietly as a bachelor. It's typical of him to remember his old

Rinka races round on a spending spree for toys



Rinka Mordecai, aged nine, from north London, speeds her shopping trolley round Selfridges yesterday helping to choose £6,000 of toys for Capital Radio's Christmas appeal. The money came from a concert by Status Quo and a £1,000 donation from the store (Photograph: Tim Bishop).

Six bailed after death at match

Mr Barry Adamson, chairman of Scarborough Football Club, who collapsed after an incident during a match at the club, died of a heart attack, an inquest was told yesterday.

Six football supporters from the Morecambe and Lancaster areas were remanded on bail by magistrates at Scarborough accused of an offence arising out of violence at the match on Saturday.

Ail six, aged between 17 and 24, were accused of unlawfully

fighting and making an affray to the terror and disturbance of others at the Athletic ground, Scarborough, during the FA Trophy match between Scarborough and Morecambe. Mr Geoff Heselton, chairman of the magistrates, said all would be remanded on bail

between £250 and £500.

Mr Michael Oakley, the Scarborough coroner, yes-terday opened and adjourned the inquest on Mr Adamson, who was aged 47.

until January 19 on sureties of

Evidence was given in a written statement by his wife, Elizabeth, who identified the body at Scarborough hospital after violence at the ground on Saturday. She said her husband had been in good health.

PC Alan Fern, the coroner's officer, said a post-mortem examination carried out by Dr Michael Green, a Home Office pathologist, had given the cause of death as a beart

Dr Green had not comgraph appeared in national pleted his report but the cause newspapers carrying a petrol of death would not be

bomh duriog riots in changed.
Handsworth, Birmingham, was yesterday jailed for five years at the city's crown court.
Hazell later threw the bomb The coroner adjourned the inquest to a date to be fixed because further inquiries had still to be made into the

Fan detained Secretary. Mr Anthony Barker, QC, for the prosecution, said Hazell was identified from the for attack

A football supporter who admitted spraying ammonia from a plastic lemon in a confrontation with rivals was sent to a detention centre for three months by Bradford

magistrates yesterday.

Michael John Robinson,
aged 20, of Elford Rise,
Sneinton, Nottingham, admitted threatening behaviour and having an offensive weapon. The chairman, Mr Alan Kilshaw, told him the sentence was "for the protection

and a bow tic.

One jury was unable to reach a verdict at a trial in of the public".
Mr Stephen Uttley, for the prosecution, said Robinson September, but a second jury found him guilty last Friday was arrested outside Odsel on the charge of arson. Mr Gilbert Gray, QC, for Hazell, said his client was stadium, Bradford, on Nov-ember 19 when Bradford City was playing Nottingham given the petrol bomb hy Forest. another man and had thrown

 Extradition proceedings against 26 Liverpool football it at the shop rather than at supporters facing man-Judge Potter told Hazell: slaughter charges over the "You committed a spectacu-lar act of arson in the front and riots at the Heysel stadium, Brussels, will be held at Highbury Corner magistrates' manner calculated to encourage that mob to further courts, north London, in February. full view of a riotous moh in a

Evictions to be speeded up By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Corres

Lord Hailsham of St comments received on the Marylebone, the Lord Chan- Lord Chancellor's consultaconspicuous points on the

cellor, is proposing to speed up procedures for the repossession of open land from hippies and other mass He yesterday laid before Parliament amendments to

the Supreme Court Rules, which would reduce from five days to two the minimum period between the service of an application for repossession and the final court order. But five days will remain the period in the case

of residential premises. The Public Order Act 1986 has already introduced a new police power to evict trespassers in certain circumstances. Yesterday's announcement covered changes in civil procedure.

Although it is generally agreed that the present proce-dure works efficiently in cases for which it was originally intended, those involving squatters oo residential property, there have been criticisms that the procedure is too slow, complicated and expensive. And the so-called "hippie coovey" drew attention to shortcomings in the law of

The Lord Chancellor's Department said: "It was felt by many that neither the criminal nor the civil law gave adequate assistance to farmers and others against mass

The change comes after

The price of large fresh turkeys plummeted at whole-

sale markets around Britain

yesterday, with some traders offering two birds for the price

of one to clear stocks.

During early trading the price of large fresh birds fell

from 70p a pound to 40p, but

many dealers refused to buy

Last year there was a short-

age of fresh turkeys and prices

were very high, according to Mr Alan Dan, marketing director of Dewhurst's,

Britain's largest high street

cash in again hut there are too

many big birds on the market, from 16lh to 22lb and over,"

A spokesman for the Na-

tional Farmers Union said that farmers had increased

production by about 12 per

The problem has been

caused by overproduction and

the mild weather, which meant the turkeys put on weight faster than usual. Birds

weighing between 10 and 14lb,

the most popular size, are still available, Mr Dan said.

Last year, fresh birds were

selling for £1 and more a

This year farmers tried to

hutchers chain.

cent this year.

he said.

knowing there was no outlet.

Glut of large turkeys

brings down prices

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land. And masters and district tion paper on summary proceedings for the possession registrars will be able to hear applications to the High Court of land. tead of judges. The changes will come into

There was general agree-ment about the reduction from five to two days in respect of open land but there was concern about such a change in the case of residential premises. It was felt there would be difficulty in obtaining legal advice in such a short

Two other changes include clarification of provisions for serving applications on defen-dants on open land. It will be possible to serve them hy fixing envelopes containing summons to stakes at

in travelling groups so that preventive legal moves can be made has also been recom-mended in advice to farmers and landowners by the Min-istry of Agriculture, Fisheries

force on January 12. Similar changes are to be made in proceedings in the county

At the time of the convoy

trespass was not a criminal offence. Concerted action to

dentify potential trespassers

'Frozen' house prices bring hope to buyers

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

Home-seekers are being urged to enter the housing market now while prices are "frozen countrywide".

The suggestion comes in the latest survey, published today, of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, which says that with prices levelling out it is a good time to buy, before the expected increases

The survey for the quarter ending on November 30 shows that nearly 60 per cent of the

pound. Yesterday birds weighing between 10 and 16lb were fetching between 75p and 90p

a pound, while heavier hirds

were 40p, when a buyer could

About 11 million birds are

Farmers unable to sell their

birds are expected to freeze

them and release them into

the trade during next year, or

no way these producers will

get their production costs back," Mr Dan said.

"Whatever they do, there is

and Wales taking part re-ported that prices had not neoved during the three-month period, and 36 per cent saw a rise of only 2 per cent. Static prices have also been

recorded in the South-west, where a special survey in-dicates that there are more houses for sale and fewer buyers than elsewhere in the untry. Country homes, particularly cottages and farm houses, are, nevertheless,

More seek holiday

More people are heading for the sun this Christmas than ever before, tour operators

bought every Christmas, 2.5 million of them fresh farm

away from it during the winter sun destinations.

Supplies of frozen birds are not affected, although prices, at 49p a pound, are below last ● The Prime Minister received her traditional Christless than usual.
Tubes in London carried mas turkey yesterday. The 32lh hird was presented to her at Downing Street by Colonel Ted Phillips, chairman of Sun Valley Farms, of Hereford, on

Federation. Mrs Thatcher seemed surprised at the size of the bird, which will take more than 10 hours to cook. She said that stitute of Direct she would have to get up very early to get it cooked in time.

behalf of the British Poultry

sunshine

said yesterday. Thomson Holidays said this

Christmas will be its busiest with 386 charter and scheduled flights carrying 95,000 bolidaymakers abroad. "There must be a greater desire than ever before to get

holiday," the company said. Intasun Holidays reported sales 50 per cent up including But for most workers and office staff yesterday was a normal day. The number of commuters using trains across the country was only slightly

about 10 per cent fewer commuters. But British Rail, Southern Region, said rush bour trains were almost as full as usual yesterday and the same story was repeated by spokesmen for other regions. Shell and ICI said that most staff were working until Christmas Eve and the Institute of Directors said most hig companies seemed to be

Two jailed in Faslane bribe case Two former company direc-tors who bribed officials at the

Faslane suhmarine base, Strathclyde, were each jailed for a year yesterday and ordered to pay £25,000 compensation to the Secretary of State for Defence.

of state for Defence.

John Nixon, aged 55, of Rainhill, Merseyside, and John Cackett, aged 44, of Scarisbrick, Lancashire, had been convicted at an earlier court of bribing Civil Servants at the base with £22,000 to allow the unauthorized re-moval of waste oil, and of stealing more than one million

litres of waste oil. The High Court in Edin-burgh was told that they were directors of a Bootle oil supply company and had acted with their manager in Scotland, William McLeod, aged 36, of Bellshill, Lanarkshire, who is serving a nine-month sentence for bribing officials.

Extortion case

An Iraqi student accused of tryiny to obtain £500,000 by blackmailing Mr Ali Al-Fayed, the co-owner of Harrods, was bailed until January 12 at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court in central Londoo yesterday. Abbas Al-Bassan, aged 28, of Epping Walk, Hulme, Manchester, an electronics student

at Loughborough College, Leicestershire, is charged with making the demand in a letter him to be a remarkably eff-sent to the Egyptian business- ective debater on other occaman in November.

Arsonists hit Welsh cottage

A boliday cottage on a hillside near Conwy, Gwyn-edd, was almost destroyed yesterday in a fire which had the hallmarks of an attack by Welsh extremists. There have been nearly 200 similar incidents since 1979.

The cottage is owned by Mr
John Quallington and his
wife, Rosaleen, of Hanwood,
Shrewsbury, Shropshire. They
bought it 20 years ago and
renovated it from a near ruin. Double-glazed

death trap Home-made double glazing was hlamed yesterday for the death of a woman aged 21, poisoned by carbon monoxide in the bedroom of her home in Crown Terrace, Belper,

Derbyshire.

Miss Shelley Johnson had left a gas fire on and the door closed. Police said polythene had been tacked across the window, ventilation

Fair opens for the last time

The Christmas fair on the old cattle market in Norwich city centre, a tradition going back more than 150 years, opened yesterday for the last

A £60 million shopping complex is to be built there. Work will begin next year after a £500,000 archaeological dig on the site, which is alongside the city's Norman castle.

High Court judge divorced

The wife of Mr Justice Harman, a London High Court judge, was granted a divorce yesterday in the court room opposite the one where he usually sits. Sir Jeremiah Harman, aged

56, did not contest the proceedings.

Man survives train crash

Russell Jordan, aged 20, received head and knee injuries when he was hit by a Derby to Nottingham train yesterday while walking home to Norman Street, Cotmapproved by the Forestry have recently been intensified Tomorrow: Are more trees the anhay, Derbyshire, from a



Geoffrey Smith

fought his way into the House of Commons by his own personal efforts. There is no such thing as a safe Liberal seat. So there is a higher proportion of distinctive, even quirky, personalities among the Liberals than in any other

parliamentary party.

Nobody represented this tendency more strongly than David Penhaligon. Fic was above all, and in the best sense. This of the word, a character. This was evident, in the most obvious but least important sense, the moment he opened his mouth. His strong Cornish accent marked him as a politician with such deep roots in his region that he was immune to the homogenizing pressures of Westminster.

But there are quite a number of essentially, if not quite so emphatically, regional poli-ticians in the House of Commons. It was two other qualities that made

Penhaligon unique.

I have known no other parliamentarian ase so regularly an effective times this became a trap as well as a strength. Sometimes it obscured the seriousness of his purpose. He was frequently extremely funny, but he was much more than a funny man who had strayed into politics.

Humour that became habit

Because he clowned so much, and so successfully, he could be mistaken for a clown. But that was a gross misunder standing. Time and time again he employed humour as a deliberate weapon to achieve scrious ends. It was a rhetorical device, which worked so well that it became a habit. It was a habit that he indulged too much. I think be appreciated when he became the Liberal economic spokesman that this is not a subject which most British people

regard as appropriate for laughter. It is not known in this country as the dismal science for nothing. Yet the imp of wit kept on escaping from his control. This damaged his standing in some quarters. He was not But his humour often enabled

It also contributed to his other great quality, as a link between high politics and the general public. In the age of the career politician he sounded the quintessential ordinary man. As with anyone who manages to convey the impression of being outstandingly ordinary, he was not. There was art in his simplic-

ity. But it was a considerable

political attribute. It is in this sense that I believe be is a loss to British politics as well as to his party. Although he was a serious politician. I doubt if he was a particularly deep one. Al-though he was mentioned from time to time as a possible successor to David Steel if he should give up the Liberal leadership after the next election, I question if Penhaligon would have been chosen and even more if he would have been comfortable in the role.

An inspirer of confidence

If there had been an Alliance government in his lifetime. I am not sure that he would have been a successful senior min-ister. But politics needs those who are able to make the process and the problems comprehensible to a wider public. That was Penhaligon's

He was a man of common

sense who was able to inspire confidence that he was a reasonable and well intentioned sort of chap. How well he could inspire confidence was evident from his success as a constituency MP. Winning his seat from the Conservatives by a mere 464 votes in October, 1974, he built up his majority to more than 10,000 in the last elec-

He also played no small part in developing the strength of the Alliance throughout the south-west. It is probably there that his party will feel his loss most acutely. But he was recognized as an attractive personality throughout the

As the tasks of governmen! become more and more specialized, so the need be-comes all the greater for politicians who can be equally. at home in a ministry, in Parliament or with the general public. David Penhaligon was an outstanding example of an intensely political politician who never lost touch with people outside politics.

Farming surpluses: 2

Foresters and bird lovers square up for fight

The so-called Flow Country of Caithness and Sutherland, a wild and desolate landscape of moor and bog, was until recently a remote and mysterious place attracting little

But all at once it has become a battleground between the forest industry and conservationists who are determined to prevent it from carpeting the ground with trees.

The protagooists are, on the one side, the Forestry Commission and Fountain Forestry. Britain's largest woodland management company. and on the other a number of environmental bodies led by the Nature Conservancy scheduled. Council and the Royal Society

for the Protection of Birds. The environmentalists claim that the creeping forest of hirds and that there are, for is threatening to destroy a example, many more golden Other wills, page 14 unique wilderness, internat-eagles since the plantations came to Scotland.

In the second of three articles John Young, Agriculture Correspondent, looks at the dispute about large-scale afforestation.

the most important wildlife habitats in Europe and home to species found nowhere else. The onmbers of birds, notahly greenshanks, golden plovers and dunlins, will be reduced and further threatened hy predators living among the trees, they say.

The foresters reply that

of 192,000 — about 29 per cent — and that only 32,330 hectares are already planted or They also claim "there can be no doubt" that afforestation will increase the number

between them they manage

Again, they ask, how can the environmentalists in one breath claim that afforestation destroys wildlife and in the next assert that the present inhabitants are under threat from iovading species that choose to make the woods their home.

unattractive. They are now the damage by planting dif-ferent species in gaps created by windblow and felling. They also point out that all afforestation plans have to be

other conservation bodies, local authorities and the Ministry of Agriculture. Such arguments cut little ice with the conservationists who are convioced that most of upland Britain and indeed, if farming becomes unecon-omic, parts of lowland Britain

in huge monotonous blankers of evergreens. The foresters concede that many of the early post-war plantations, comprising regimented ranks of a single species, were environmentally attempting to undo some of

Most of the environmental groups, including the Council for the Protection of Rural England and the Ramblers' Association, have demanded planning controls on forestry. This is something which successive governments have

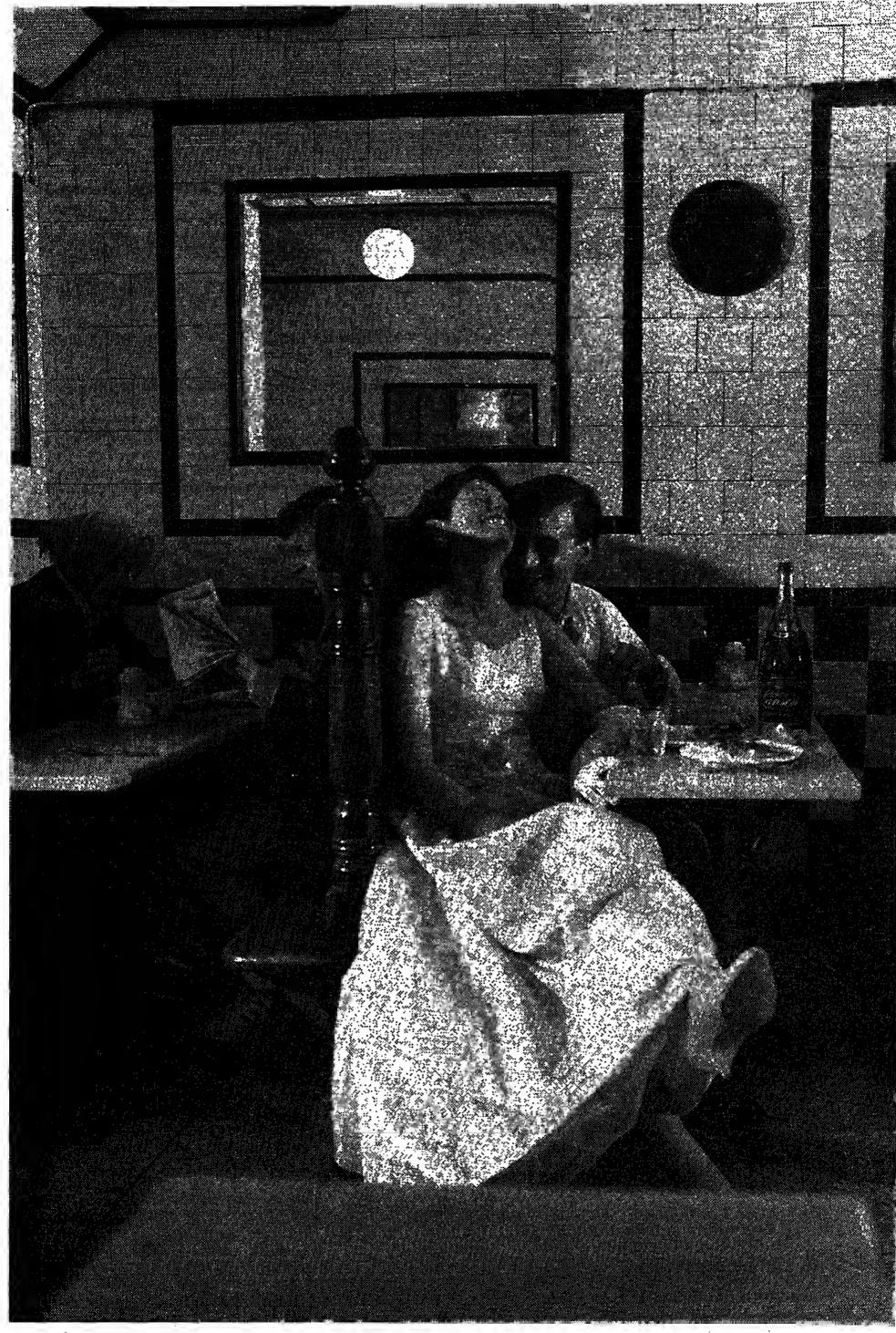
are in danger of being covered

so far resisted, although they are oow part of Labour Party policy. Conservationist objections Commission and the Nature by the knowledge that a answer?

Conservancy Council and that number of wealthy individ-they must be discussed with uals, "showbiz stars" among uals, "showbiz stars" among them, have invested in for-estry as a means of tax Under the present rules they

are able to set off net expenditure against income from other sources, and are not subsequently liable to pay tax if and when they sell up. Leaders of the forest in-dustry see objections to this as evidence that the conservationist movement has been infiltrated by politically motivated people whose main

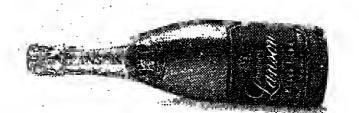
concern is to attack the rich. Mr Brian Howell, of Fountain Forestry, said: "Their attitude is totally irresponsible. A very successful and important industry is being damaged by irresponsible comments, and we resent it very much."



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WORLD SUMMARY Briton freed in South African-hacked rebels in Mozamhique yesterday released eight foreign hostages, including a Briton, as a gesture of "goodwill" for Christmas (Nicholas Beeston

The former captives, who were seized by the Mozzambique National Resistance (Renamo) last month, were handed over to representatives of the International Committee of the Red Cross at the border of Malawi and Mozamhique.

The hostages were identified as Mr Ian Robertson, a British agricultural engineer, a West German aid worker, his Peruvian wife and their two-year-old daughter, and four Portuguese nationals, incloding three Jesuit priests.

Mr Robertson, aged 54, whose wife lives in the Algarve, was working on an EEC aid project in Ulongue for the

Mozambique Government when he was captured by the release followed direct talks between a British diplumat and a representative of Renamo. He is expected to be flown to Portugal in time for Christmas.

Libya attack in Chad

N djamena (AP) - Libyan aircraft, artillery and tanks
yesterday lnunched a fierce attack, with the use of napalm
and toxic one challe and toxic gas shells, on loyalist positions in the Tibesti Minimizing of northern Chad.

Mr Khamis Togoi, chief spokesman for President Hnbre of Chad, said the Libyan attack concentrated on guerrilla po-President Gonkouni Oneddei's rebel government, where the Lihyans suffered a heavy defeat on Saturday. He said that the Chadian defenders held their ground and that Bardai remains in the hands of Goukouni's forces.

Mr Goukouni, leader of n Libyan-sponsored rebel government in Bardai, was ousted by other rebel leaders in October and took most of his estimated 3,000 mountain fighters into a spontaneous alliance wth President Habré, his former enemy, against the Libyans.

Border redrawn

The Hagne (AP) - The World Court yesterday di-vided up 1,200 square miles of disputed territory claimed by both Burkina Faso and Mali which drew the West African nations into a brief border war a year ago.

In its ruling, a five-man special chamber of the court divided the disputed areas, which lie in the eastern parts of both nations, into roughly equal parts. The proposed 124½-mile border line gives Mali a bigger chunk of the disputed territory's western zone and Burkina Faso a larger portion in the east-

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100 die in Iraqi raid Tehran (Reuter) - Iran

said more than 100 people died yesterday in an Iraqi air raid on the western town of Eslamabad-e Gharb, and announced an extension of its reprisal shelling of military and economic targets

inside Iraq. Tehran Radio said that Iraqi jets struck the town for the second time in as many days as relatives buried the 103 victims of Sunday's raid on the provincial capital of

Bakhtaran near by.
Mr Ali Akbar Velayati,
the Iranian Foreign Minister, has appealed to the
United Nations for urgent
action to stop such attacks,
the radio said.

Bokassa trial dispute

Bangni (AP) - The judge in the trial of former Emperor Bokassa yesterday denied a defence request for a week's recess, saving that little progress had been made and that the court could not afford to waste more time. The defence argued that their client, aged 65, was suffering from high blood

pressure and needed time to recuperate.

Judge Edouard Franck reacted heatedly to defence protests over his ruling, shouting: "The court has already made its decision." He said that the court could only afford to take December 24 and 25 to observe Christmas holidays. The French defence lawyer, M Francis Szpiner, responded that the process would move more quickly "if we quit calling

Bilingual banned

Ottawa - The Government of Quebec has resumed laying charges against merchants who display signs not composed exclusively in French, the province's official language

(John Best writes).

Charges have been laid against 27 firms for posting signs written bilingually in English and French. The actions broke a moratorium on prosecutions that had lasted nearly a year while the Government awaited a Quebec nppeal ruling on the constitutional validity of the French-only

Strikers too noisy

Johannesburg - The management of one of South Africa's biggest snpermarket chains threatened yesterday to go to court in a bid to stop striking hlack workers "clapping, singing and dancing" (Ray Kennedy writes). Residents of flats near an outlet of OK Bazaars in the centre of Johannesburg said that they had been kept nwake by the din from the store. Ninety-two of the chain's 202 stores nationwide have

been hit by the four-day-

old strike over a demand

for an immediate pay rise.

Voyager pilots join heroes of aviation

From Mohsin Ali, Washington

As the experimental aircraft side and sleeping space for one Voyager circles the globe non-stop without refuelling, Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager, its pilots, are being compared with aviation heroes such as Charles Lindbergh and Ame-

Cooped up in a cabin the size of a telephone kiosk,



Rutan, aged 48, a retired Air Force lieutenant-colonel, and Yeager, aged 32, holder of nine aviation speed and the Atlantic, that they forgot endurance records, have to add oil to the rear engine. shown phenomenal courage during the past nine days in engine temperature and gave the unique, hand-huilt them the higgest scare of their aircraft.

Voyager mission control expects about 75,000 people to welcome the tired and stormtossed pilots when they land at dawn today at Edwards Air Force Base in the Mojave desert after a world recordbreaking epic flight of 27,700

Voyager's cahin gives Rutan and Yeager about half the space they would have in a of cockpit has footh for only a rica, where head winds arise. I tional Congress. But after shoulders."

on the port side. Ruton and Yeager have been working in shifts of four to eight hours. For exercise, they use an elastic ruhber device for working on every joint every day. For bygiene, they use alcohol-based skin and bair cleansers that do nm

They took only one change of clothing, but several of undergarments. Toilet facilities on Voyager are primitive.
A main concern has been drinking enough liquids, and they have been monitoring each other to see that they are doing this. Another hig headache has been the noise of engines and the wind.

require the use of water.

Lack of sleep and fatigue have been the big enemies. They were so tired on Saturday morning, while crossing This caused an abrupt rise in

But within 10 minutes they discovered that the engine. one of two, was nearly two quarts low on oil. They quickly added more, and there was no damage.

The pilots have generally kept Voyager below 15,000 feet, to avoid developing a potentially fatal accumulation of fluid in the lungs after 70 to 90 hours of flying.

The main trouble areas small hatchback car. Ten feet have been the central Pacific long and three wide, the cabin and Atlantic, where winds or cockpit has room for only a converge, and southern Af-



Aftermath of mass rallies for democracy in Shanghai streets

People climbing trees to obtain a better view of the demonstrations calling for democracy and press freedom in Shanghai's People's Square on Sunday.

Paris transport crippled as Métro drivers join rail and sea strike

Drivers on the French capital's Metro and suburban foothills, striking workers commuter trains walked out were blocking the high-speed to demand higher pay and changes in joh classification. Only four in 10 trains were operating, with several lines virtually shut down.

Negotiations between the management of the SNCF, France's national railroad system, and railway workers were cheduled for last night. The SNCF walkout began as a wildcat strike on December 18, and has since gained the backing of several unions.

The strike, which arose over working conditions and a new salary scale, continued to disrupt train services across France during the peak of the holiday travel season.

On main lines out of Paris traffic ranged from one in two

Paris (AP) - Most Paris Nord, where picketers were commuter railway operators blocking the tracks. The TGV, walked out yesterday, joining the high-speed train, was a strike by rail and maritime maintaining its normal sched-workers that has crippled ule on three of seven lines, but workers that has crippled ule on three of seven lines, hut transport throughout the only half its service on the

> At Chambery, in the Alpine train line, forcing travellers to continue toward the area's many ski resorts by hus.

M Jacques Chirac, the French Prime Minister, met his ministers responsible for public sector affairs yesterday to discuss the strikes. His office issued a statement saying the conservative government's strategy to inflation and stimulate the economy meant salaries must increase within strict limits.

"France is at a decisive moment in its policy of economic reform," the statement said. "If this policy is questioned, all our efforts to increase employment will be compromised.

M Jacques Douffiagues, the

work, saving that their complaints did not justify "hitting travellers in the days leading up to Christmas".

Negotiations between representatives of striking mer-chant seamen and dockworkers were under way in Paris yesterday. The maritime strike, which

began on December 8, has closed the ports of Marseille, Nautes, La Rochelle and Le Havre to most cargo traffic. The merchant seamen and

dock workers - belonging to the Communist-led CGT union - went on strike to protest against planned changes in the merchant marine system announced by the Government in October.

The package includes a measure that would allow certain French ships to employ foreign sailors.

The domestic airline, Air Inter, target of a two-day strike by flight crews who are opposed to the airline's plans to cut their number, resumed trains leaving some stations.

Transport Minister, has urged services on Sunday with 140 to none at all at the Gare du the railwaymen to go back to.

'Fat One' gives £2.5m to Australia



Señor Antonio Canton, a lottery official, emptying numbered balls into a drum in preparation for the world's largest draw. From Harry Debelius Madrid

"The Fat One" yesterday favoured a long-term Spanish emigrant to Australia, Señor Jose Nuñez Monturfo, to the tune of 475 million pesetas (nearly £2.5 million) as Spain's annual Christmas lottery, the biggest in the world, showered £389 million on lucky winners.
"The Fat One" is the

Spaniard's favourite yuletide character. They call him "El Gordo", and he represents the number with the biggest payoff in the Christmas lottery. This time it was 3772. Señor Nuñez Monturfo,

aged 64, a tobacco farmer who lives in Myrtleford, Victoria, bought his lottery tickets last summer during the visit to relatives in his home town of Archidona, near Malaga. Before going back to Austra-

lia, where according to friends he has lived for 20 years, be gave a small share of his lottery number to four nephews who own a bar in Archidona. The pay-off for their sbare was 25 million pesetas (nearly £130,000). The many others "touched" by "The Fat One" won a total of £81.7 million. Most of the second prize

winnings went to employees of a refinery in Corunna, who shared the number 56,320. They will split between them seven billion pesetas (36.3

than 35 years.

moving towards the border.

The refugees claim that they

have been forced to flee by the

brutal actions of Burmese

soldiers who seized rice and

other possessions, burned

houses and rounded up people

into compounds. Those sus-

pected of helping the Karen

Distanced from Brezhnev

Sakharov freedom sets seal on Gorbachov reform

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

When Dr Andrei Sakharov given new freedom, it is sets foot in Moscow this morning, for the first time since his banishment in January it will be the culmination of a dramatic series of recent events which have set the symbolic seal on the Gor-bachov era and distanced it formally from the legacy left hy Leonid Brezhnev.

In addition to Mr Gorbachov's personal decision to free the country's most brilliant dissident, the past week has seen the sacking of Mr Dinmukhamed Kunayev, one of Brezhnev's last surviving cronies, and the subsequent unprecedented admission that his replacement as Party chief had sparked nationalist riot-ing on the streets of the Kazakhstan capital of Alma-

In the spirit of glasnost (openness) and self-criticism being fostered as the central plank of Mr Gorbachov's reformist policy, the decision to publicize the riots was accompanied by a hard-hitting assessment in Pravda attacking much of Brezhnev's policy and concluding that by the end the state had slipped into

disorder.
Although the article, to mark the 80th anniverary of his hirth, balanced criticism with some praise, it ruthlessly dissected the failings of his later years with references to food shortages, economic de-cline, a personality cult, nepo-

tism and corruption. The effect of such criticism in a society where sycophancy has been a more common method of dealing with recent Party leaders cannot be overemphasized. "We knew that things were going wrong, especially the corruption. But we just did not dare speak out about them," one Communist Party member said.

Such has been the pace of change in the closing stages of 1986 that few outsiders even noticed the article in last Saturday's Izvestia stating that the crew of the Admiral Nakhimov, which sank on August 31 with the loss of nearly 400 lives, were notorious drunkards. It said that since 1981, 18 captains, 75 first officers and 141 senior mechanics had been dismissed for "disciplinary reasons" from the Soviet company which owned the liner.

Commenting on the revela-tions, one Western diplomat said: "Even in the recent past, the appearance of such a piece of reporting in the official Government newspaper would have raised eyebrows. But now

becoming more the order of the fected production and social day. This is more than just a One of the immediate results of the decision to free Dr Sakharov and to pardon his wife, Mrs Yelena Bonner, has been to breathe new life into

Moscow's dissident commnnity and to prompt hopes that such an unmistakeable upturn in Kremlin policy presages a new period of more enlightened treatment of dissenters. For many Jewish refuseniks and others who have had to endure nfficial opprobrium

harassment and even brutality, the central importance is seen not so much in the ending of the Sakharovs' lonely exile but in the fact that such a move was deliberately publicized in the official Soviet media, including Pravda and the tele-

"This is a change, a real. change," explained one Jewish woman whose family has been waiting with increasing pessimism for eight years for permission to emigrate.

Westerners have noted with about human rights is to be found mainly among dissidents, refuseniks and others who have most reason to be cynical about Kremlin promises of a wind of change.

In conversations with journalists, leaders of the dissident community have repeatedly given credit to Mr GHorbachov for the changed atmosphere, with some arguing that the time taken to release Dr Sakharov was indicative of resistance inside the party hierarchy.

Professor Valery Siefer, a prominent refuscuik who has been trying since 1979 to secure an exit visa, said: "I think that there is a real debate about democratization going on inside the Kremlin, with the upper echelons fight-ing with the middle ranks of the burcaucracy to make important changes in this area."

Once the immediate euphoria surrounding Dr Sakharor's return to his home has subcided pressure is expected to sided, pressure is expected to mount for his freedom to be matched by similar leniency towards other dissidents.

Western sources said yesterday that Mr Yosef Begun, Ms Ida Nudal and the socalled "original refusenik", Mr Vladimir Slepak, one of the first Soviet Jews to organize the teaching of Hebrew. were expected to feature prominently in the renewed cam-paign for further liberalization in the Kremlin's policy.

Peking clamps down on protest

Shanghai (Reuter) - Chinese authorities placed a clamp on student protests vesterday, deploying 200 pol-ice around the site of Sunday's mass demonstration and warning that official permission would be needed for further rallies.

Thousands of people dem-anding more democracy and press freedom had gathered in hanghai's People's Square on Sunday in the biggest protest seen in China for years.

Early yesterday afternoon about 200 police arrived at the square in vans and dispersed any groups of people there. They also screened the passes of anyone seeking to enter.

In a clearly co-ordinated crackdown, the authorities also began a propaganda blitz against the protest organizers. Shanghai Radio broadcas! a warning from the city police calling on citizens to expose trouble-making and disrupt-

ing activities by a small number of people with ulterior motives and criminals in or-der to maintain public order". The city's main newspaper, li'en Hui Bao, said that "criminals took the opportunity to make trouble" during the last two days of demonstrations, which had "caused serious obstructions at major traffic centres, af-

order The radio said that from now on official permission would have to be obtained for

any rally or demonstration. It listed a number of banned activities and said that those violating the provisions would be "severely punished by public security and judicial organs according to the seriousness of their individual cases and according to the provisions of

the criminal law' Witnesses said that another 200 police lined the streets outside the city ball, which had been surrounded yesterday by thousands of students and their supporters. Movement at city hall and in People's Square was filmed.

There was no sign of any student groups or gatherings. Security was also ught on the university campuses, from where the students led the marches. People entering the Communications University needed to show identity passes and the public-address system broadcast messages saying some surprise that the new that students had been misled of what was going on.

Classes seemed to be continuing as normal. But one foreign teacher said that about half of ber students were missing.

Yesterday's coverage on Shanghai radio and television was the first direct mention in the domestic media of a spate university campuses in the last three weeks. On Sunday night, the New

China News Agency accused students of having beaten up 31 police who asked them to stop blocking a city street at rush hour. It also said bundreds of demonstrators broke into government offices. ◆ HÖNG KONG - Travellers arriving yesterday from Shanghai said that they had seen no significant violence and had been impressed by the good mood of the demonstrators and the moderate response of the police. Some students have accused the

avia writes). Experience of political demonstrations in China over 40odd years is that they are rarely spontaneous and are manipulated by high-level political groups as weapons against their antagonists.
What may be significant is

latter of arresting several of their colleagues (David Bon-

that yesterday's ban on further marches shows that, bowever t began, the upsurge of political sentiment has gone further than was intended

Swaziland keeps Botha Karens flee from Burmese repression waiting in raid protest From Neil Kelly, Bangkok the Burmese Army was complaining that it had nei-

From Ray Kennedy, Juhannesburg Mr R F "Pik" Botha, the protests by both Switzerland South African Foreign Min- and Swaziland they were

Two-and-a-half hours later he left the Prime Minister's office. "You can write what you like," he told journalists.
"I have no comment." The
Prime Minister's office also refused to make any state-

Swaziland's displeasure over dia were yesterday attacked the armed raids by units of the strongly by the English-lan-South African security force earlier this month in which two Swiss nationals and two blacks were abducted and two

people killed. At the time Mr Botha said that the Swiss were being held because of their suspected links with the African Na-

ister, was kept waiting in an anter-room for 30 minutes yesterday after arriving in Mbabane, the Swaziland capital, for talks with Mr Sotja Dlamini, its Prime Minister. the Department of Foreign Affairs had advance know-

ledge of it, as did President

Botha. Meanwhile, advertisements placed in South African newspapers by the Burean for Information purporting to set It was clear, though, that the out the "true perspective" of time Mr Botha was kept the new state of emergency waiting was meant to convey regulations affecting the me-

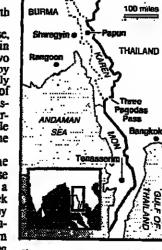
> guage dailies. The *Pretoria News* said: "We admire their cheek ... We disagree totally that media reporting and comment are, as they claim, generating much of the revolutionary climate for upheaval. The blame for that lies fully on the Government's

Thousands of Karen people guerrillas are threatened with in Burma are on the move towards the border with Thaiexecution. Reports similar to these, which have been coming in

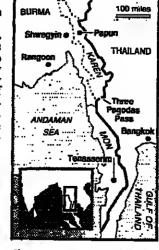
land to escape a campaign of with the refugees for two years, have been confirmed by repression by Burmese Government forces, according to Western relief workers and Christian aid workers secretly helping the Karens, many of Thai intelligence sources on the border. whom are themselves Chris-More than 26,000 refugees tian, inside Burma. The Burfrom Burma are now in Thai-land, 18,000 of them Karens and most of the others of the mese Government says little about its war against the rebels.

Thai military officers on the Mon grouping. These ethnic minorities have been in rebelborder say that the Burmese Army has been conducting a lion against Rangoon for more drive during the past week against Mon Liberation Army Some refugees say they walked for up to three weeks guerrillas near the Three Pafrom the Shwegyin area. Othgodas Pass, a well-known border landmark, forcing 8,000 refugees into Thailand. ers from the Papun district, closer to Thailand say that 5,000 more people there are

Burmese artillery and infantry have attacked the big market near the pass and surrounding villages but Thai border police say that the guerrillas fought them off with great determination. The Tha-



is say that 15 Burmese soldiers ment officials and husinessand five guerrillas were killed. men from the West say that Bangkok intelligence an-alysts say that Burmese sol-goon they have learned that



diers are now establishing themselves in rebel districts they had previously ignored, including Tenasserim, in the far south, where 100,000 Karens fear they will also be harassed by the Army.

Well-informed Govern-



ther the manpower nor weapons to sustain a campaign against the rebels. They also found indecision and inertia more marked than in the past in official circles because of the continuing

uncertainty about Burma's political future. This stems from the frail health of the country's leader, General Ne Win. who has been in power for 25 years and is now aged 75, and the lack of an obvious successor. According to these reports, some younger officials now speak more openly about Burma's need for foreign investment and expertise which has been rejected by

of what may come when new leaders take over. For the time being the Japanese, cager both in Government and in private industry to provide aid and investment, are making little progress towards overcoming Burmese isolationism.

General Ne Win. Diplomats

in Rangoon say that is a sign

Karachi waits for the spark that will set off new ethnic clashes

After a week of violence which has left some 200 people dead, Karachi, the industrial heartland of Pakistan, now has a semblance of oormality.

But the city, which has a population of seven million and has been a melting pot for immigrants from India, Bangladesh and Afghanistan as well as other regions of Pakistan, will never be the same again.

The dire predictions that Karachi could become another Beirut has acquired an ominous ring of truth with the current wave of violence.

Beneath the deceptive calm, the situatioo is more explosive than ever. A minor incident could spark off yet another round of bloody clashes.

Within a short span of 40 days Karachi has hled twice.More than 50 people were killed last month in clashes between the two main ethnic groups in the city, Pathans and Urdu-speaking Mohajirs (refugees from India who migrated to Pakistan after the partition of the subcontinent in 1947 and from Bangladesh after 1971).

The first ethnic riots between these two groups broke out in Karachi in April 1985, following a traffic accident in which a girl student was killed, and soon turned into Pathan-Mnhaiir clashes because most drivers and users of the longdistance heavy lorries are are

The ethnic clashes between the two communities have simply kept on recurring. Even a minor traffic accident would plunge the city into

The current wave of violence, the worst in the country's history, started after an army clean-up nperation in Sohrah Goth, a predomi-nantly Pathan and Afghan refugee settlement, on December 12.

There has been increasing public pressure to free the area of drug smugglers and arms dealers. Apathy oo the part of the administration and the alleged patronage of the drugs traffickers by some influntial persons in the Government has exacerbated the situation.

finally undertaken with the ple were burnt to death. support of 3,000 army troops... According to a cautious. Strangely, very few drugs

Some of the leaders are re-DDDGG OIT tion and are said to have to start the clean-up operation

From Hasan Akhtar Islamabad

Mr Mohammad Khan Jun-

ejo, the Prime Minister of Pakistan, yesterday took back

16 of his former ministers and

ministers of state while reconstituting his Cabinet. He had asked on Saturday for the

resignation of the entire group

President Zia of Pakistan

esterday took the formal oath

from 12 ministers and four

ministers of state. More min-

isters are expected to be included within the next week.

resignation of his entire cabi-

reportedly either corrupt or

working secretly to weaken his

Mr Junejo comes from

Sind, while most MPs and the

ruling Pakistan Muslim Lea-

position in the ruling party.

Mr Juncjo had accepted the

oet in order to drop those Puniab.

of about 40 members.

to safer places.

According to the Karachi English-language daily Dawn, about 20 truckloads of weapons and a huge quantity of heroin were removed from Sohrab Goth during the night of December 11-12 and secretly taken to various parts of the city.

On the first day of the operation, on December 12, the law enforcement agencies could find only a few men in a populatioo of more than 50,000

The plans for the clean-up operation had been discussed secret meeting in which

Beneath the deceptive calm, the situation is more explosive than ever.

A minor incident could spark off yet another round of bloody clashes

senior political, police and military officials participated.

The administration has oo explanation as to how the secret was leaked to the drug traffickers. The mediahas made many allegations of corruption and protectinn of drugs dealers among top executives of the provincial

While the nperatinn was in progress, on December 14, some 200 Pathans, alleged to have the backing of the drug dealers, armed with Kalishiniknys and nther sophisticated firearms, attacked Aligarh colony in the Orangi Town area, a predominantly Urdu-speaking Bihari area which was the scene of the worst clashes last month. Most of the people who took

part in the killing were said to be from the Sohrab Goth area. The carnage began at about 9 am and continued for six hours with the administration doing nothing to stop it.

According to eyewitnesses, people, including women and children, were brutally killed while a small contingent of The clean-up operationwas -police watched. Scores of peo-

estimate, more than 70 people died, and the army came in and arms were recovered dur- when it had finished. The ing the six-day operation, killing triggered ethnic clashes. in other parts of the city.

It is still not clea

managed to remove their while tension had still oot stocks of narcotics and arms subsided following last month's clashes

> The incompetence and ineptitude of the administration was evident during the week of rioting. There were not enough army troops deployed to check the riots, and in many places people repeatedly de-manded police protection from gangs of killers, but without success

> Although the rioting, which has been taking place in Karachi for a year and a half, is often charecterized as ethnic conflicts, an analysis of the situatinn indicates that the causes are much deeper.

> There are many socio-economic and political factors which have given rise to the present tensinn and ethnic division. The hostility between the Pathans and the Mohajirs is not based on

As the largest industrial and financial ceotre and a port city, Karachi has been attracting people from all nver the country. Because of this its populatioo has risen from 100,000 in 1947 to seven millioo in 1986.

The Urdu-speaking Mohajirs, who comprise 45 per cent of the city's population form the majority. But the Pathans from the North-Western Frontier, with a popula-tioo of more than 1,500,000, also form a major ethnic group.

The increasing strain on the infrastructure and on the limited jobs market has caused tension between the different ethnic groups to rise. The Mohajirs and the local Sindhis particularly feel that outsiders are taking the jobs and re-sources of the city.

Since 1979 two significant new developments have takeo place in Karachi.

One is the growth of a powerful drugs mafia, which is also involved in the transport industry. The other is the upsurge of spootaneous street protests against drugs dealers and hus operations in both of which Pathans are involved. This has caused such protests

to often take an ethnic colour. The recent rise of Mohajir nationalism has further led to polarization on the ethnic

The 1985 general election, in which the votes were cast on ethnic bases rather onpolitical programmes, has also iocreased this trend. The influx of arms through Ax a day earlier about the opera- Government chose this time refugees has also created a

terday are: Foreign Affairs Sahabzada Yaquh Khan, In-terior Mr Aslam Khan Khat-

tak, Education Mr Naseem

Ahmad Aheer, Finance and

Economic Affairs Mr Yasin Khan Wattoo, Industries Mr

Shujat Husain, Justice Mr Wasim Sajjad, Information Kazi Abdul Majid Abid, Food

and Agriculture Mr Moham-mad Ibrahim Baluch, Housing Haji Hanif Tayyeb, Local

Government Mr Anwar Aziz

Chaudhary, States and Fron-tier Regions Mr Qasim Shah,

Without Portfolio Mr Iqbal

The Ministers of State are: Foreign Affairs Mr Zain Noorani, Health Mr Ghulam

Mohammad Mehr, Special

Education Begum Afsar Kiz-

ilbash, Railways Mr Nisar

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Police in Panjim, the cap-

language.

Konkani is spoken mainly by native Goa Christians and Hindus hving along the coast, while Marathi is spoken in the hinterland and by Hindn



Otto Heidemann, aged 74, who was jailed for 10 years yesterday for killing a fellow prisoner in a Nazi concentration camp in 1941, being carried on a stretcher into the Moabit courtroom in West Berlin yesterday.

Heidemann had been entrusted by SS guards at the Manthansen concentration camp with overseeing fellow inmates, (Reuter reports from West Berlin). The court found him guilty of having led Mr Jozef Wojdanowski, aged 49, away from a work-party at a quarry belonging to the camp in January 1941 and beating and kicking him to death behind a pile of rubble. Heidemann denied the charges.

The court decided that prisoner-overses

Manthausen had been told by SS gnards to kill innates who could no longer work. But Heidemann's action in murdering Mr Wojdanowski, ooc of more than 100 prisoners under his control, must be considered a crime even in the conditions of the Nazi period, Judge Hans

American arrested in Tokyo drive on fingerprint rebels

Tokyo police have arrested an American activist in a new drive against foreigners who refuse to give their fingerprints.

The authorities had been watching Mr Robert Ricketts for two mooths and detained him as he left a translation agency where he works.

His arrest is an important move in the Government's campaign to break the back of the anti-fingerprint campaign because Mr Ricketts has acted as a co-ordinator for the disparate groups of Koreans, Asian-Americans, religious and citizens' groups who oppose the system whereby all resident foreigners, including Koreans whn were born in Japan, must be fingerprinted when applying for their alien registration cards.

After Mr Ricketts's arrest he was forcibly fingerprinted, but the authorities were unable to get prints of all his fingers. He has been refusing to give his prints since 1985, along with t,375 other foreigners, mostly Koreans.

In a newspaper interview a illeg few weeks before his arrest he - rea. accused the authorities of treating him as though he were a "terrorist" wheo all of his actions were in the open. Mr Ricketts faces a fine of np to 200,000 yen (£837) or a prison

The activists have been helped by the 700 local authorities in Japan who have been refusing to co-operate with police requests for files on fingerprint refusers. A three-mooth grace period is allowed for re-registration once the card runs out at the end of its five-year validity.

However, due to a tough new stance by the Ministry of Justice, police have recently beeo putting additional pressure on local authorities to give up the files while at the same time proposing softer regulations in response to diplomatic pressure from South Korea.

Under the proposals, which have oot yet become law, foreigners would be fingerprinted only once, on arrival, and the ink used would be washable rather than the messy, semi-permaneot type used at present.

The fingerprint refusers say that being fingerprinted is a violation of human rights and of the constitution because it provides for unequal treatment under the law of Japanese and Koreans, both of whom have been born in the same country.

Mr Shuoji Kobayashi, who is io charge of the immigratioo department of the Ministry of Justice, says that the system was introduced in the late 1950s to combat the flow of illegal immigrants from Ko-

At a recent press briefing he at first denied that such fingerprints were ever used in criminal cases, but later admitted that they might be used as a means of identifying a foreigner in an incident unrelated to a breach of

immigration law.

"Legally speaking it's only for Koreans," Mr Kobayashi said. "It will suffice if we take fingerprints only from Koreans living in the country. But I don't think it's practicable, I don't think it's rational and

presence in Goa riots

Bombay (Reuter) - The Indian Army staged a oew show of strength in Goa yesterday, while police reinforcements poured into the territory as the death toll in violence sweeping the popular seaside resort rose to six.

Police said that 1,500 reinforcements were flown in by the central Government and... neighbouring Gujarat state to help the 2,000-strong local police. More were expected from the states of Karnataka and Maharashtra.

The Army, alerted after a pitched battle between rival supporters of the Konkani and Marathi languages on Sunday Madagoa, an important commercial centre.

Indian Army had been called out in Goa since 1961, when it marched in to take over from the Portuguese.

ital, said that thousands of foreign tourists who had planned to spend Christmas in the former Portuguese enclave were crowding the airport and railway stations to leave.

There were no immediate reports of injuries to any of the estimated 70,000 foreign and Indian tourists. But many visitors were feared stranded in towns cut off by barricades set up hy militant supporters of the local Konkani language whn are campaigning for im-mediate statehood for Goa with Konkani as its official

immigrants.

Rare army | Fights in House as amnesty | granted to Uruguay soldiers

From Eduardo Cué, Buenos Aires

In an emotionally-charged session, interrupted hy fist fights among the legislators, the Uruguayan Congress has approved a controversial amnesty for military and police officers accused of human rights violations during the former military dictatorship.

The action by Congress has brought a sudden and unexpected end to four months of political crisis in Uruguay and illustrated the power the military continues to wield over the 22-month-old civilian Government of President Julio Maria Sanguinetti.

on Sunday gave final approval to the Bill, which became law immediately, just two hours before an army heutenantcolooel had been scheduled to appear before a civilian court investigating charges of human rights violations.

known last week that its officers would categorically refuse to appear before the tribunal, thereby seriously and perhaps irrevocably, challenging the authority of the country's fragile civilian institutions. The amnesty measure was

introduced by Señor Wilsoo Ferreira Aldunate, the leader of the opposition National Party, who had refused to support a similar measure introduced by President Sanguinetti last August. Señor Ferreira changed his mind The Chamber of Deputies after meeting the Army commander, General Hugo Medina, who made clear that the military would not back down.

The National Party deputy, Señor Gonzalo Aguirre, in a people believe the mil reference to the pressure should be tried for all brought to bear by the mili-

The military had let it be tary, admitted that the solntion "was a bad one, but it is also the most realistic". As thousands of Uruguay-

> ans took to the streets in Montevideo and other cities in pot-banging and car-honking protests on Sunday, fist fights broke out on the floor of the House among some 20 deputies when a Frente Amplio deputy accused the National Party of "acting out of fear". The Frente Amplio, a coalition of left-wing parties which together make up the country's third largest political force, has refused to consider any amnesty for the

Public opinioo polls have consistently shown that about 70 per cent of Uruguayan people believe the military should be tried for alleged

Shops hit in German arson wave

Bonn - A wave of arsoo attacks on shops in Hamburg continued yesterday for the second successive day, with early-morning fires on two floors of a city department store (John England writes).

The store's sprinkler system soon extinguished the fires. but the water caused severe damage to goods. Firemen and police helped store owners 10 search a total of 31 premises for small incendiary devices with acid time-fuses. The arson attacks began on

Sunday, following rioting on Saturday night during a demonstration against the police by squatters. Nearly 100 po-licemen and 31 demonstrators were injured.

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Munich (Reuter) - Twenty Polish tourists failed to rejoin their coach before it left for Czechoslovakia nn its way home. Police say it is not clear if the 15 men and five women, missing after a weekend in Bavaria, were staying to visit relatives or would seek asylum in Germany.

Cash take

Copenhagen (AP) - Three armed men robbed a Copenhagen department store during the Christmas shopping rush and made off with 5 million kroner (£470,000) cash in a blue pram.

Suspects free

Paris - Six people arrested in connection with the discovery of an arms cache oo the outskirts of Paris last Thursday were released without having been charged.

Sudan aid

Khartoum (AP) — International relief agencies are giving Sudan \$100 million a year in aid and providing jobs for more than 6,000 Sudanese, Mr Kamil Shawki, Sudanese commissioner for relief and rehabilitation, said.

Bus tragedy Ankara (Reuter) - Seven

teen people were killed and 36 injured when a bus carrying wedding guests crashed into a stream near Istanbul, the third major bus accident in Turkey io eight weeks.

Buon giorno

Rome (Reuter) - Breakfast televisino was launched in Italy with a 41/2-hour programme of oews, music, fea-tures and interviews.

Sentry hurt Ajaccio (Reuter) - A police

sentry was slightly injured when a bomh was thrown at a Corsican barracks on Sunday night, police reported.

Taking off

Peking (AP) - China United, a new Chinese airline expected to help to break the state airline monopoly, will begin service on January 1.

Vital omission Brussels, (Reuter) - Forgers of authentic-looking 500-franc notes fargot ta include the signature of Belgium's na-

Uruguayan riot police dodging stones thrown by demonstrators in Montivideo on Sunday. Lebanese learning that it is time to pay the bill

Wildlife laws threaten Kenyan tourist boom

From A Correspondent, Nairobi

sanctuary has exposed a dilemma facing Kenya's booming tourist industry.

Now that more than

600,000 tourists are visiting the game reserves and marine parks each year the Government has become alarmed at the detrimental effect of these large numbers on the ecology of some wildlife areas. The Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife has recently sent

orders to its game wardens to be more rigorous in enforcing regulations in parks, especially that making it illegal for tourist vehicles to be driven off designated roads into grassland and bush country in search of lions, leopards and other wild animals.

It is now also an offence to harass any animal.

According to Mr Brendan Burke, a British tourist in the group expelled last week from Amboseli National Park at the foot of Mt Kilimaniaro, they were travelling in two minihuses driven by Kenyans when they were stopped by a game warden and ordered out of the park without any explanation.

Mr Alfayo Baraza, the game warden, was annoyed, it seems, because the tourists had left the road and were another zoo".

The recent expulsion at gumpoint of a party of foreign tourists from a Kenyan game photographing lions in the background of Mt Kilimanjaro. This, he said later, was harassing the lions.

Mr Juneio: Aiming for a

Cabinet free of taint.

gue Party belong to the

Some ministers readmitted

to the Cabinet have had their

portfolios changed, while oth-

ers have returned to their

previous responsibilities.
The Ministers and Min-

The incident is the latest in a growing oumber since the issue of the "get tough" directive, which is causing tension between tour operators and drivers anxious to please their clients and the authorities who are under heavy pressure from conservationists to limit the oumber of visitors allowed into the reserves.

Mr Baraza said that about 100 tourist buses enter Amboseli each day, and those driving through the bush country are damaging delicate vegetation crucial to the animals' survival. As Amboseli is only a few hours' drive from Nairobi it

has become probably the most accessible - and least expensive - animal sanctuary in-Africa in which visitors can see the "big five" - lion, leopard, rhino, elephant and buffalo - in the same day.

A Ministry of Tourism official agreed that the mass influx of tourists is threatening to turn this world-famous game sanctuary into "just

In the leisurely old-time

safaris ii could take a couple of

weeks.

From Robert Fisk Middle East Correspondent

Ayesha is not a de-monstrative woman. She is large and buxom and washes the floor of my flat by wrap-ping a wet cloth round her foot and scraping it backwards and forwards across the tiles. Most days when she comes to clean my home, she just sighs when I ask about her family.

But oow she arrives in consternation and anger, holding out her right wrist. "I sold my last bracelet yesterday," she says. "It was to pay for the children's school." She holds out her left wrist, which is equally bare. "This morning, I have sold my watch. What can I do? I have nothing more to

Up a side street, Farid apologises for the higher price he charges for my manouche the soft, not thyme sandwich the Lebanese eat for breakfast. "How can we go on?" he asks, with that special suggestion of guilt that is nowadays conveyed to foreigners. "I spent all our money on Najla's hospital treament.

wife been ill? 'You didn't hear about our shell," he says possessively, and jerks his thumb at the hroken window near the coun- overpriced book stores, has ter, its glass still hanging in cruel shards from the frame. Outside his shop the fine old

Hospital? I had been in

Cairo for two weeks. Had his

portico of his house was gone. A blackened 6 ft stump was all that remained.

"Najla was standing here at the couoter when the shell hit the tree and the glass was blown into her stomach. She was in the hospital for a week and I used all my savings on her treatment. We have noth-ing left." He wrapped the manouche in greaseproof paper and apologised again.

It is as if the Lebanese have just began to understand their collective sickness, the bill for which they must at last pay themselves. Muslims and Christians blame each other for their economic distress, hut some hlame foreigners -

• They will kidnap any man with blue eves...rash enough to cross their path

among them those who see foreigners as a quick source of income. They will kidnap any man with blue eyes or Western appearance rash enough to cross their path, in the hope that they can sell him back to his family or to those darker figures who need a hostage to

Even Hamra Street, with its

French fashion shops and become a tribulation for Westerners. One morning I was walking tree that had shaded the to my bank in the Piccadilly

Centre, watching the traffic. Just by a fruitstall, I noticed a blue Volvo kerb crawling beside me. It had no registration plates and there were three men inside, two in the froot and one in the rear, all with beards. The man in the back wore a camnuflage jacket and I could just make out the tip of

a nifle. Should I run to the fruitstall, where a bald, chuhhy man is serving a drink made from carrots beneath a sign proclaiming him "The King of Juice"? The three men

are staring.
"Marhaba," (Hi there), I say. The three bearded faces break into smiles. "Ahalan." they chorus back in greeting. Were they really being just friendly?

Carrying money around Beirut has always been dangerous, which is why the moneychangers have armed bodyguards. Today, I find they also have two-way radios to talk to the local banks because the Lebanese pound is collapsing so fast that the antiquated phone system cannot keep pace with the exchange rates. In the past I carried cur-

rency io a brown envelope inside a newspaper. Now 1 find the customers io my bank holding plastic shopping bags, scooping the money from the cash desk in thousands of blue nntes. The avalanche tells its own story, oot least for a Christian neighbour of mine

who, for a special reason, had Lebanese acquaintance of already been to collect her savings in notes of 250 Lebanese pounds.
She came back from holi-

day, she says, to find gunmen in her house. "Squatters, the worst kind of people — their guns were propped against my door when I arrived. Her story is truly awful because it is typically unjust.

Customers in my. bank . . . scooping money in thousands of blue notes 9

Anywhere else, yon would call the police. But this is Bearut.

She sat down with the about to leave Beirut, a friend deal. She would pay them to book my future flights under leave the house. The figure another name. We are sipping was in tens of thousands of red wine on my balcony when Lebanese pounds, but the shells start falling on the militiamen said there was just Corniche, the coast road not one small condition - that far from the mosque at Ein they take the contents of the Mreisse. house with them. My neighbour had no op- as if someooe is slapping

tion hut to agree, and there-fore watched helplessly as the gunmen trooped from her home carrying her furniture, her television, her cutlery, even her daughter's wedding presents. She tried to live there in an empty house, but now she is leaving too, taking bags full of worthless notes he asks. with her.

home, my phone rings. A ply cannot answer.

i call the woman and she is crying. Yes, she would like the money. But one mioute later,

mine, a Muslim businessman,

has been unaccountably ab-

ducted from his house. It is his

sister phoning from France to ask if I can give money to his

she calls back. "Don't come, they are watching me. I am followed everywhere. You will be kidnapped if you come here. They listen to the phone. Don't come - for my sake." The receiver is slammed down in panic.
Who are "they"? Why should they follow her? I

never find out.

Muslim gunmen and made a calls by my home urging me to "Blank-blank," they echo,

> pieces of timber together in the darkness. At Beirut airport, a weary Middle East Airlines clerk advises against false names on the passenger manifest with a weary sense of fatalism. "Do

you want to give them a hard

time before they kidnap you?"

Sometimes the Lebanese Some are less fortunate. At ask questions which you

THE ARTS

Even at Christmas, London galleries are not exactly rife with good wholesome entertainment for all the

family. However, I have managed to

unearth a few quite jolly shows, and

there are more that can, with a will, be

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bearted fashion is that of Homemade

Prints by David Hockney, at Knoedler until - well, no one stems

quite sure, but certainly over the

holiday and into the New Year. There

is a lot of fun and enlightenment to be

gained from them, both in themselves

and in the way they are made. Hockney's inexhaustible curiosity

has led him to the humble Xerox

machine, of all things. (Also, apparently, a number of not-so-humble developments of it.) Would it be

developments of it.) Would it be possible, he wondered, to use it to make original prints which would not be merely reproductive, but actually use the machine's special qualities in some special way? So, he experimented, and came up with the observation that the Xerox's special

qualities were two, or two that

particularly interested him. First, that

it is a species of camera in which there

is no focal length between the object and the lens. Second that its ink is

applied dry, in powder form, and

bonded to the paper by heat.
This means that you can reproduce

exactly what you put on paper, at exactly the same size, and that you

can build up effects of intense colour

by printing over and over on the same piece of paper, each time reproducing from a different original of exactly the

same dimensions. Consequently,

apart from a very special quality in the pigment applied, you end up with an original print which is not in itself

a reproduction of anything else, but works by building up its effects rather like, but texturally different from, the

way a lithograph or a screen print does. And what does that produce? Why, instantly recognizable Hock-

It has long seemed that Hockney's

most important attribute was his

wholly personal way of looking at things, and his most dazzling talent

Hockney: Self-Portrait, July 1986; and (in text) Ian & Heinz — the sneaker and the dackshund — and

neys, of course.

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North and South (Central) is produced by the man who orchestrated the opening and closing extravagenzas of the Los Angeles Olympics. And it shows. Last night was the fine! episode in this athletic footnote to the American Civil War - a drama which pays homage to Gone With the Wind in a manner that is as flatulent as it is indigestible.

TELEVISION

Given the story - a story, according to the Press handout, of "murder, rape, abortion and slave-abuse" — it is all the more extraordinary that one should have watched it in complete somnolence. Judging from the Press hand-out, the stars experienced similar difficulty in keeping awake. "I had no idea about American history when I got here", purrs the luscions Lesley-Anne Down from Clapham Common, "and I have to say that I still haven't." She plays what she calls "a victim of her time" (teatime?) — a woman who stays with her dastardly husband, even though he treats her badly; a woman in pas-sionate love with the southerner Orry Main.

Orry (short for 'orrible?) looks as if he has limped off the tennis court. He is portrayed by Patrick Swayze, who started life as a ballet dancer and who had the audacity to rewrite the character because it was originally too self-pitying. This role is the break of a lifetime and, believe me, I gave it my all." Patrick Swayze's all is something I suspect many people will feel they could have done without in the last two weeks.

Certainly the script he tampered with needed an electric cattle-prod to make it budge. Written for television by no fewer than four people, it had few lines longer than ten words and a devotion to cliché than can only be described as arthritic. "Are you all right?" (after a due!); "damn the Union — and damn your union" (of two people about to be married as South Carolina secedes); "she can go to a hotel, she can go to hospital or she can go to hell". One was quite thankful to the Civil War for putting an end to it all.

Three days before Christmas the BBC served us with their worst drama of the year. Apart from singling out the writer, Barry Davis, it would only be invidious to mention anyone involved in The Oldest Goose in the Business (BBC2).

Nicholas Shakespeare Pollione, crushing him like a shiny black beetle.

OPERA

has arrived in Leeds. Its appropriation by Opera North means that this powerful production will be soured to those parts of Britain pot

Mistletoe is being cut once

more, the moon rises over

Gaul; Andrei Serban's Norma

reached last year by Welsh

National, where it opened. A lot of the fuss has gone. The symbolic shedding of masks and layers of clothing is shows are all but done away with. What remains is the strong triangle of relationships: Norma and her novice Priestess, Adalgisa, proudly embracing each other in sister-hood, and bearing down upon

be able to articulate the pulsing emotion in every second of ber music. There is much good intention there, and Pick-Hieronimi can produce a high mezza voce of true lunar beanty - but that is simply not

of the footlights, at times only shadowing the orchestra. Clive Timms, conducting, must take his fair share of blame here. He is oot the most.

sensitive of accompanists, nor the most stylish of Bellini interpreters: the momentum is there, but too little detail to fuel Bellini's great cathartic John Tranter, a bullish

assertive Oroveso, is always the pit; and, where the or-chestra fails to conjure Bellini's shifting lights and shadows, David Cunningham's lighting, a superb aspect of this production, more than compensates.

Hilary Finch

makes the comic tension be-tween husband and wife both sharp and affectionate.

Peter Ebert's production moves swiftly and fluently, lending a stirring sense of spirit and occasion to the

larger-scale songs. Where it is less successful is in detailed finer shading — Clare Shearer, Patricia Hay and Una Bu-chasan as the three daughters

do not develop very far in different directions and the

foreboding undercurrent of the

double edge to the change they

partially represent does not fully emerge. Jay Jackson

makes an earnest, bespec-tacled radical, however, as

Perchik the student and Alan Oke a cowed and diligent tailor. The final mood of indomitable spirit is carried

home, caught up in the music, which is simply as irresistible

Sarah Hemming

Bill McCae as Tevye, full-bodied vocally and physically

THEATRE

The large-scale musical is a fairly rare bird in Scotland — a situation that Bill McCue's new Scottish Singers Com-pany (making its début here) hopes to remedy. Closely al-lied with Scottish Opera, with lied with Scottish Opera, with whom McCue has sung for many years, the company hopes to bring together estab-lished singers and players and newcomers: this initial pro-duction is performed by Scottish Opera singers and chorns, but when it transfers to Edin-burgh in January the chorus and orchestra should include

many more new faces. accomplished production har-king back to Scottish Opera's 1979 Fiddler. The atmospherically realistic set has been revived and McCue himself

As adapted by the remarkably Alice in versatile John Wells, the Lyric's musical Alice cleverly Wonderland tery and innocence without Lyric, Hammersmith ever descending into the senti-Ward's superbly intimated Wonderland, a skilled com-pany in imaginative costumes lead us deeper into the fragber relationship to a world Davis's songs stop the action

dium really thet inflexible? Stephen Pettitt opera. Indeed it is the music pig-baby gets abused by Cook

community threatened by ex-ternal change and eviction. He is assisted by Una McLean, whose singing voice is not of the best but whose equally Russian Jewish village as it is sizeable stage personality

that are the stronghold of a

mental. From the moment the which prevents this Alice becurtain rises on Anthony ing a triumph. Carl Davis's settings of these Wonderland lyrics border on the preten-tious. There is an air of Victoriana about the musical mented dream-imagery of the concept, but even the Victorilittle girl beginning to question ans had hummable tunes.

GALLERIES

Magic out of the photocopier

John Russell Taylor seeks out some shows providing seasonable entertainment as well as edification

his ability to make us see things exactly as he sees them. Whether it is a painting or a drawing or a print or a photograph or a collage of many photographs, or created in some medium, like his poured paper pulp, even more esoteric, we first and foremost get Hockney's vision. And it is the same bere. Whether he is showing us a vase of flowers or a chair on a terrace, or the Hollywood Hills against a street map of Los Angeles, or a bright red sneaker juxtaposed with a very black dachshund, we know exactly what we are seeing and, unmistakably, whose eyes we are seeing it through. Other, more traditional artists

cometimes achieve a similar instant recognizability. Perhaps we should not be too sure about Louis Wain (Michael Parkin, until January 9),



since not all jolly anthropomorphic cats from the first half of the century are actually hy him. (Probably all the frantic, garishly aureoled cats are, since to the best of my knowledge Wain was the only artist of his kind to go mad on paper as well as in life.) But he probably did what he did better than anyone else, and few cat-lovers, however much they may resent the cute humanizing, seem wholly immune to his charm.

William Wakot is perhaps more reliably recognizable: though he was certainly not the only skilled architectural draughtsman of the time, his gift for making even the most unlikely

subjects look romantic and monu-mental was quite unmatched. The show of his watercolours and etchings at the Building Centre until January 17 covers his whole career and virtually his whole range, from workaday office blocks somehow transfigured by his visionary gleam to the amazing capriccii which bring him at moments within hailing distance of Piranesi. Though he is avidly collected these days, there still seems to be a lot left to discover.

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The Walcot show is presented jointly by the Building Centre and the Gallery Lingard. The latter also have a very pleasing show of their own on at the moment (50 Pall Mail, until January 30). Under the title of Trad, Jazz and Mod it evokes powerfully the mix-and-match architecture of Europe in the Twenties and Thirties, mostly through architects' drawings, some quite basic and practical, hut many gleefully elaborating on what one takes to have been the actual effect, in order to convince a client or glamorize something already stand-ing glumly somewhere on the Great West Road. Many of the drawings are rather beautiful in themselves, and even the least have a certain nostalgic pull, taking one back to the days when Trad was somewhere fit for an Aldwych farce to live in and Mod was shiny and streamlined enough to stage a dozen Astaire/Rogers musi-

A more immediate approach to the recording of architecture is exemplified by Istanbul: Gateway to Splendour, at the Zamana Gallery until January 18. Described as "A Journey through Turkish Archi-tecture", it shows us many of the most gorgeous monuments of Istanhul through the lens of the Turkish photographer Ahmet Ertug. The glowing colour photographs are supplemented by enough explanatory captions and analytical drawings to make the show more than a National Geographic outing supposing you want any more than that. But possibly the best way to take it all is to look, wonder and get on the next plane to Istanbul. Whether your taste goes to the geometrical glories of the Suleymaniye Mosque or the pinchbeck glitter of 19th-century attempts to keep up with Versailles, neither the pictures nor the place are likely to disappoint you.

Istanbul radiates immutability. But if you care to meditate on mutability

fully than at Pompeii and Herculaneum (Weinreh Architectural Gallery, 36 Store Street, until January 23). The subject is not so much the fall of empires as the way later generations reacted to what remained especially in the second half of the 18th century, when Pompeii fever swept Europe, and endless engravings of the buildings and paintings which were then being revealed flooded the market. At the time, the fancier editions were likely to be hand-coloured, but many sets of not-sofancy survived in black and while. Now Weinreb have set their own colourists to examine the original



subjects of these engravings in situ, and colour them accordingly, though with due regard to the tastes of the engravers' time as well as those of the Pompeians themselves. The result is no doubt historically questionable, on several counts, but totally charming, and seldom likely to offend our guardians of morality more than a very, very little.

Lois of people have thought they invented the strip cartoon — even Gerald Brockhurst, it seems — but we might equally well find its origins on the walls of Pompeii. I doubt whether Reg Parlett ever considered that when producing, more than 60 years ago, his first strips for comics like Funny Wonder and Merry and Bright. But, after all, many of his subjects have been, if not the gods and goddesses of the ancient muralists, at least our own equivalent, the stars of the hig screen and, later, the small. Yellowing pages of Film Fun and TV Fun, showing until January 31 at the National Theatre along with original drawings, books and personal memorabilia, should tug at the heartstrings of several generations, as well as providing a worthy tribute to the doyen of British "comic" artists, still going strong in his eighties.

Still going well up to pitch

Hilary Finch meets the tenor Alfredo Kraus (right) who tonight at Covent Garden returns to the role of Edgardo in Lucia di Lammermoor in which he made his Royal Opera début more

leads to Edgardo's suicide in Lucia di one part of the voice left to Lammermoor that the chance. The perfectionism of work was, until the middle of the 19th century, regarded as a the performer. The light, tenor rather than a soprano crystalline lyric tenor which opera. In fact the very first Edgardo, Gilbert Duprez, suggested breaking up the repeat of the cabaletta with temperature-raising interventions from the solo cello. With Alfredo Kraus returning to-night to the role of the anguished lover, in which be made his Royal Opera debut in 1959, many eyes will be turned to that first, hasty entry, many ears tuned in readiness for that last scene. Kraus, approaching his sixtieth year, still plans to take it at pitch, something which regularly defeats even his younger

colleagues.
"Donizetti knew perfectly well the human voice and how to create, through the colour of a particular pitch, just the emotional climate he wanted. He didn't want a darker, more beroic colour — he needed clarity, brilliance: it's more difficult, but I feel better with it that way." The audience need fear no histrionics: Edgardo is, for Kraus, a self-absorbed Werther-like romantic – "But this is the classical repertory: you don't have to act too much. The expression has to be in the feeling of the voice, not the body. There must be a very big interiority. Only then can it be carried to the audience." Anyone familiar with

Kraus's recording of Lucia (with Gruberova and Bruson) will know just what he means: the way he takes the weight of

On grounds of authenticity it

would probably be hard to beat Peter Wright's produc-tion of *The Nutcracker* which

is currently in repertory at

Covent Garden. He remains

close to the original libretto.

He has retained as much as is

known of the original choreog-

raphy, and Julia Trevelyan

Oman's designs provide us

with a positive lexicon of

bourgeois life in 19th-century

Nuremberg, However, the re-sult is sadly lacking in magic, the essential factor io this

most fantastic of ballets. The

design seemed to overwhelm

the dancers and with a few

exception the dancing lacked

To be fair to the dancers,

style and clarity.

than a quarter of a century ago uch is the crescendo of Donizetti's placing of each and French lyric opera. Next expectation which word within the melodic line year shows a neat chart of - never a second wasted, not

the composer matches that of has served Kraus so many years has been nurtured with the help of exemplars like Tito Schipa and Gigli. But ul-timately Kraus has been his own most critical and exacting taskmaster, testing his own abilities, rigorously setting his own limits. "We are working with

something we don't touch, we don't see, even we don't hear. All I've tried to do is know my voice: to use my imagination to work with the sensations, with their immediate lan-guage. If you have this quality, this other sense, to understand what is the voice, that's fine but nobody can give it to VOIL.

raus's words, ting-ed with the His-panic of his child-bood in the Canary Islands, are delicately chosen; his gestures, in speech as in performance, sparingly placed. He refuses a small smoked salmon salad in order to eat exactly what he wants and when - and speaks wants and when — and speaks calmly of a lifelong routine of exercise, gymnastics, small eating, little socializing; a timetable in which precisely three holidays a year — in the family house at Lagrante family house at Lanzarote — are dovetailed with a strictly limited schedule.

He sings only the repertoire which he feels lies within the limits of his voice — some 20 roles in all, in Italian bel canto



year shows a neat chart of Lucia's Edgardo, the Canaries, Rigoletto's Duca, the Canaries, Hoffmann, Romeo, Werther, Romeo, the Canar-ics. "This is not a bad word, 'limit'. If you want to have this finger bigger, you start to pull, you break it ..." Each, according to Kraus,

strictly to his own. And that should apply to opera conduc-tors, too. "They don't study any more. After a period of years as a symphonic conductor, they think they can turn to opera — but they don't have the experience. Fifty years ago, they had to be in the theare for years, learning about the receivers. about the voice as a repetiteur. knowing every word, every phrase, every note. The mae-stro was always called 'Maestro concertatore e direttore'.

"We have lost a lot of things - good singers, good conduc-tors. It is really a little sad to say. The continuity of opera has been interrupted, the chain broken. Part of it is because the orchestras are too big today. Maybe the most responsible for this was Tos-canini. He, after all, invented the big orchestra. The stage, which is supposed to cover the pit, to come almost to the middle of the audience, was pulled back to give space for a sound which is now too big to accompany. Tenors of the past could sing light and heavy opera, because they weren't fighting a war with the orchestra. Now it's impossible to go back. The orchestra is a protagonist and, in con-sequence, every conductor would like to be a protagonist."

DANCE

The Nutcracker Covent Garden

surprisingly unmusical. In the Snowlakes Waltz he was able to follow Ivanov's floor patterns which still exists in notation form; but, although the patterns may be ravishing, it is impossible to see them from the stalls because of the lack of a raked stage, and Wright's choreography is best described as banal. As a final hlow, Julia Trevelyan Oman's white wigs hardly flatter the pretty girls of the corps de hallet

Wright's own choreography is Beth Porter not a great deal of help. Alexander Grant returned to his old company at the it struck me as fidgety and weekend to play Drossel-

meyer. He gives the character such sweetness and affability that it seems impossible the children should be in the least scared of him. Certainly not the bright; assured Clara of Susannah Jones, whose enjoyment of her adventures was positively infectious. She was well matched by Jonathan Burrows, as bright and brave a Nutcracker as one could possibly wish for.

The orchestra, conducted by Gennadi Rozhdestvensky, seemed to have recovered itself, and it would be fair to describe the star of the evening as Tchaikovsky himself.

Judith Cruickshank

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CONCERTS

Alfred Shnittke Almeida

Following his huge and rowdy First Symphony, smaller works by Alfred Shnittke trailed into the air at the Almeida, making noises hard-ly less rude. His First Quartet, 20 years old, dates back to a time when he was still able to exist creatively as a kind of fine-nerved, atonal Shostakovich, before the tensions in that persona had sprung open. But the Second, written in 1980, is very much more selfconscious, and works with characteristically extreme contrasts between fortissimo scruhbing in all four instruments and weightless, high-reaching polyphonic adagio. Equally characteristic is the virtual omnipresence of chant-like melody, more or less obscured by the different ways the music has of present-ing itself. Both these works were given their first British performances by Chameleon. In between came smaller

Northern Saxophone **Ouartet** Purcell Room

Hearing an entire concert of music for saxophone quartet makes one realize just why comparatively little decent literature for the combination exists. Unlike the instruments of a string quartet, the individuals of the family differ only in respect of their range of pitches. Hence, unless the music is particularly well crafted, or the performances are especially sparkling an element of dourness is liable to creep into proceedings.

And that, for all the undoubted expertise of the composers and the technical assurance of the Northern Saxophone Quartet, was precisely the result here. By tar the best of the bunch was Claude Pascal's Quartet of 1961, Introduced by one of the players as a work owing much to Debussy and Ravel, this neat and personable piece had

works. Quasi una sonata, dating from 1968, was probably the best known piece on the programme, but the performance by Mark Lu-botsky and Peter Frankl made one know it anew, bringing out not only the fury and strength of its ironies and disconnections but also the fastidious care with which they are composed. It is one measure of Shnittke's achievement that his music can elicit and justify performances of this quality.

Just as outstanding, in itsperhaps necessarily more studious manner, was Andrew Ball's performance of the Improvisation and Fugne for piano, which begins with strident chords and startling reverberations, then bursts away in a contrapuntal path that turns out to be circular. Immediately before this per-formance Pierre Audi had justly reminded us that the Almeida had taken a lead in presenting Shuittke since 1984: it is good to see their initiative bearing fruit, and to know that there will be more Shnittke in Islington next summer.

Paul Griffiths

more in common with the elegance of Poulenc.
Of the remainder, the American saxophonist Phil Woods's Three Improvisations would surely have been more effective if the players had been able to provide the spontaneous abandon that the language of jazz demands, though the work said nothing very remarkable. Little was to be gained other than an exercise in patience, either, from David Kershaw's sequence of six Bagatelies, composed earlier this year, the fifth, "Processional", sounded as if it had been originally in-

tended, and scored, for the Black Dyke Mills Band. Meanwhile Paul Reade's Quartet was distinguished chiefly by the composer's workmanlike manipulation of some eminently slender

material. Oddly, in all of these new works there was to be heard not a single multiphonic or anything else that could be tells ber, "We're all mad construed as a contemporary playing technique. Is the me-

Norma Grand, Leeds

The bad news is that Open North has chosen a Norma who simply does not have what Bellini takes. Monica

indeed too much of the time to

Still instantly recognizable

Man Looking for His Glasses

Not enough, either, that her

voice should blend passably well with the lively Adalgisa of Eiddwen Harrhy. For all her company debut, has, I suspect, musical chemistry is simply been working too much and not equal to their very paltoo heavily at Verdi and pable physical relationship.
Puccini to mould her voice to The Pollione is already famil-Bellini's bel canto. She cuts a far with the production. Fredformidable figure physically, crick Donaldson sang the part but this marron glace of a in Wales, but it sounds as if he voice is too dark in tinta, too needs to run himself in again. sluggish in habit, too flat His tenor as yet stopped short

Fiddler on the Royal, Glasgow drawn into a new world that brings both progress and McCue makes a personable Tevye, full-bodied both vocally Tevye, full-bodied both vocally and physically, holding the stage, chastising his maker with affection and good-humouredly giving way to his daughters as they challenge the age old traditional values

In its present form it is an again plays Terye, the long-suffering but affable milkman who acts as spokesman for his

that does not quite make dead every time, sense. As the Cheshire Cat In such a visual

here". decision to turn Act II into an dusted kitchen in which the

In such a visually inventive

production, staged with precision by Ian Forrest, particu-Just as unfathomable is the larly haunting is a pepper-

and Duchess (a performance of wit by Joan Davis, who manages to be simultaneously subtle and larger than life) and the eternal tea-party - the table a gigantic grandfather clock, a strait-jacketed March Hare and monster-like Mad Hatter as beady as the Dormouse is vague. Lesley Manville's Alice is

properly demure and arrogant. But it is Harold Innocent, doing double duty as a pasha-like Caterpillar and a weepy Mock Turtle in a Bath chair, who threatens to steal the show with the exquisite timing of his smallest re-

SPECTRUM

Last gasp of the big spenders

A year ago King Coal was deposed in many parts of the country as the pit closure

programme got under way. But what was happening to the miners? Brian James went to a town where huge redundancy payments have brought bizarre consequences - and a bonanza of misery — for the newly-rich

The coal miners of Garw knew for certain that their lives were about to be changed oo the day they stepped, hlinking, from the pitcage to be surrounded by men with briefcases who pursued them into the showers, waving contracts for life insurance and unit trusts.

That was a year ago and almost every day since then the Welshmen have had more examples of what it means to come into money. They stand to the miners' welfare and talk about managed trusts; they go home to be nagged by their wives about micro-waves, fitted kitchens and double glazing.

The colliery at Garw, perched at the head of a picturesque Glamor-gan valley one hill over from the Rhoodda, last December became one of the 16 Welsh pits closed by British Coal since the strike. Garw's 600 workforce joined the 43,000 miners who thus lost their jobs, and the village of Blaengarw lost its only reason to exist.

But if the thrust was cruel, the miners threw themselves on to the sword, choosing not to linger on in the face of British Coal's long-term intentions. By shutting their mine last Christmas they qualified for enhanced redundancy terms.

Men up to the age of 49 got £1,000 for every year of pit service; men aged 50 and over got a lump sum and a part pension. The Government has spent £1 billion oo the scheme, and for the 200 men of the Garw valley villages individual payments of £35,000 were not unique, and around £20,000 could be counted an average. So roughly £4 million in spendable iocome suddeoly flowed into a valley where, during the strike a year before, food parcels and soup kitchens had kept the children fed.

If the oumber of D-registered a community financial health, then Garw pros-

pers. But like the "healthy" red cheeks of a man dying from lung disease, such signs mislead. The deluge of money into the Garw had effects that were banal and bizarre; and there are deep and corrosive problems oot yet even

Keith Hughes, wears several hats, running his own estate agency, managing a building society, and being secretary of the valley chamber of commerce. It was he who described the scene at the pithead baths: "Like flies around a honeypot, insurance salesmen, investment advisors, iust came a-running. Even respect-



A few went potty, gave their daughters weddings fit for a princess'



able banks had cars covered with banners parked across the gates.

That was the start of it. Blokes

could see the world was after their money. But the social pressures have been worse. Chaps were afraid to go home because of the nagging it was all about keeping up with the Joneses . . and the Morgans . . . and the Griffiths. A lot of mooey went quickly oo enjoying themselves. This little office alooe put out £2,000 in travellers' cheques for trips to Spaio and Marjorca in one week. And why not?

"But a few did go potty. Gave their daughters daft weddings, fit for a princess. Bought boats, caravans, improved their homes so much the weight of oew curtains and carpets nearly pulled the roof in. You have to try and understand it, blokes who had worked all their lives oow had oothing to do except form them-selves into unofficial video clubs, hiring a film and passing it down every bouse in the street before taking it back. And so they went shopping. And they spent. I think it has settled a bit now, they are starting to think about tomorrow. And what faces them after that."

Not a day too soon, according to Trevor Stoneham, the ex-miner who runs the Blaengarw Hotel, social centre of this grey huddle of houses, "Disillusioo has already set in. A year ago they were flush with money. Men who'd oever handled more than a £300 Christmas bonus now had £30,000 to play with, so it was doubles instead of pints. Bound to be. And the buying — some of the talk in bere would turo you grey... Taffy has a oew car, next day Dai gets one better.

day Dai gets one better.

"You can do that for a bit if you are going to get another joh.

Practically oone of them has. There's about 40 go by bus to other pits.. some have to leave at 4am. Other get the bus at 11am and don't get back until !! at night. That's no life. Of my 150 regulars who worked the Garw, I doo't suppose more than 10 have got jobs down in the town, Bridgend. In two or three years, the way some of them are going the money will be gone. What then?

Another Garw businesmen sees the crisis coming within weeks, oot years. "By February, for most them, the dole money ends. Then it is so to supplementary benefit. They hope! They've got the idea that so long as they have a penny less than the £3,000 upper limit they can claim benefit. That's why they've been spending thrir capital. They would not be told that the inspector can chuck 'em out of his office when he hears how they have spent their money...new cars and all that.

"And there will be a few in the valley who will have oo sympathy. Mooey has made many of them arrogant and selfish. More capital-

ist than Maggie. They have forgot-ten how other people pitched in and helped them in the strike. They are so wrapped up in interest rates, percentages, finding oot where they can drive to in their cars to buy at a discount, they have forgotten the shopkeeepers up here who helped feed their kids oo credit. There's mooey awash up here, but it's oot all lovely,

Yon sense a dereliction in Garw, squatting there with the obsolescent prettiness of an empty biscuit-box, not only of shuttered buildings that once housed shops, but also of the people. There are 33 unemployed for every job offered in this part of Glamorgan. Only three or four men get on the morning buses into the Bridgend factory estates, and they sit hemmed in by the wives and daughters of their former pitmates who are, increasingly, the bread-

Ootside the Welsh exserviceman's clob a man called Gwyn speaks: "This used to be a man's village. Now the women

have bloody taken over. Some of us get in bere drinking, but we doo't have too much. Still a bit of pride left. It's having nothing to do that's hard. These hands, see, oot bloody made for knitting.

There is even deeper hitterness in the home of Berwyn Howell, a tough 61-year-old who, as Lodge secretary of the NUM, held the miners together during the strike (Garw is prood of the fact that it had only one rebel against the cause - and be was English). "Sure there's been daft things happening in Garw," be says. "Some smart salesman sold a whole lot of brand new Metro cars in one street, people was running around trying to find whose cars was which. But you have to expect daft things when you do a thing like this to a community people's minds are in a turmoil.

The meo of Garw didn't sell their jobs, they were bribed and blackmailed into it. The way it works, if they had kept their pit oo after January I this year, all the months they were on strike would have counted in calculating their

One street had so many new Metros that the owners got them mixed up

benefits. But that's the past and what's eating away at this village is that they doo't see a future. What I really worry about is

the kids. Us old 'uns can be the idle rich, walk the hills we used to dig under. But the thing is that they haven't taken a new kid on in our mine since 1981, five years without a single job created. We have 18 to 22 year-olds oever done a hitch of work. Our police sergeant used to boast he could miod this place with one OAP to help him. Well, there are still more mugs than muggers io the valley, hut things are turning old people down the lane had their

bomes cracked open.

"I am not against half our houses being sold to people in Bridgend - even though it make a pit village part of the bloody commuter beit. We'll give people a welcome, so long as they don't expect us to wait on their tables.

"Nor am I against progress. Wheo I was chairman of the council I had an aerial survey of the valley, to show where land was ready for development. Country park, nature trails, boliday flats. Yes, OK. But what this place, full of conscientious, skilful men, needs is a factory. What it oeeds is bloody work." As we spoke there came a knock oo the door. Berwyn returned: "Man selling carpets door to door. That's what is has come to for lots of pitmen."

Or ruoning fish and chip vans round the estates of Glamorgan's industrial plain. Or setting up as huilders. Or taxi drivers. Quite a few of Garw's redundani have sunk money into starting their own husiness. Many have failed. Among those still fighting to succeed is Ray Bennett, who opened a tyre workshop in nearby Brynmenyn. "Had a few months sitting about on £48 a week dole, watching my payment for 17 years of my life slipping away. Thought the ooly thing worth investing in was myself. I am working all hours, but with £5,000 io stocks and a lot more in tools, if this goes I am io trouble. Thank goodness my wife backs me — not like some wbo couldn't see a use for the money beyood two more weeks in Benidorm and a fresh perm,"

Next door, three more of Garw ex-pitmeo have combined to launch an auto-electrical business. 'We had all had enough," Tooy Keyes says. "That strike finished us. If it wasn't the bosses telling you what to do it was the union. We are all tradesmen, certain we could sell our skills. Hard at first. We have sunk a lot into this, and there were days when we looked at picking up . . . it is going to work. Being your own boss is great."

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Church services and snowflakes evoke Christmas - but how real is the image?

A mass of detail

lights imported by BBC Television, Clifton Cathedral in Bristol will ring to many and varied sounds - of an organ voluntary by Wiene, of carols, of readings from Isaiah, Titus and Luke, of prayers. All under the eyes of four cam-cras, red-eyed and all-seeing. Nearly a year of preparation will be reaching a climax. And the viewing figures?

But fear not for a waste of the licence money. Tonight is merely a rehearsal for what will, tomorrow night, attract the year's biggest television andience for a religious event - between three and four million people tuned in to midnight mass.

It will have a special

significance — or rather a small, separate significance for the Rt Rev Monsig Crispian Hollis, effectively the Bishop of Clifton's deputy, for tomorrow night a wheel turus full circle: between 1977 and 1981, Hollis was Roman Catholic assistant to the head of religious broadcasting at the BBC and



Mgr Hollis: a special night

he produced the radio end of the 1981 midnight mass - just before he joined Clifton.

Perhaps the biggest diffi-culty in staging this kind of event – it alternates between the Anglicans and the Catholies - is the risk that it can become a programme rather than a service, a religious Match of the Day. Hollis gave over the front page of his Christmas diocesan newsletter to the subject, stressing that this is u service, not a television show.

"We do our own thing", he

The midnight mass on television will be

a spectacle planned for nearly a year

says, "and that is how it must be. We are not required to shape the service for television and at Clifton we have the great good fortune of size, which means there is no television-imposed restriction on numbers."

But television has to be

accommodated, in the physical and other senses. The only light shining tomorrow night not to have been installed by the BBC will be that over the crib; the front row of seats has been moved back three feet so that a camera can track in to cover sents has been carefully worked out in advance (it is 1.108); and one aisle is blocked off by a camera

The congregation will have to be in situ by 10.30pm, an hour before the transmission, so that the BBC engineers can balance the sound from four microphones placed overhead and to give time for "the warm

Hollis says: "It is no longer such a novel thing to be on television, but it's important that the congregation has time to relax, to treat the cameras as if they weren't there - it's terrible if you get people following the cameras with their eyes, for example."

Not everything will be quite what it seems. Hollis, for example, an accomplished public speaker, is at this moment putting the finishes touches to that dreaded thing a script.

"I usually just have a few notes for the homily", he says, "and it's hard to sit down and write for the eye what must be beard by the ear, but of course the tele-vision people have to know exactly where we are at a given time. As for the content, I don't feel there any constraints. But there is one golden rule when you are speaking both to the parish and the national andience -

Peter Barnard morning.



Just a snowball's chance

White Christmasses are few and far between. In the past 50 years the London area can boast of only three occasions which can be regarded as matching the traditional image. In 1981 the remnants of an earlier snowstorm hung on until Christmas Day, while in 1957 a brief cold spell led to the only time the snow lay

past 25 years. Even so, this risen a bit since 1980. falls well short of what we have been brought up to expect, which raises the questico as to whether the whole art and literature. Nowhere is image of a snowy December this more true than in the 25 is a fabrication.

But what is a white Christ-which has played such a part mas? To Ladbroke's, for in establishing the traditional example, the sole criterioo is view of the festive season. snow falling on the Loodon weather ceotre roof at midday Pickwick Papers, there is "a on December 25. This is why sood homan Christmas they escaped by the skio of chapter at Dingley Dell. This their teeth io 1981, when and the subsequent chapter much of the country was still a tale of the supernatural under a blanket of snow. But featuring the sextoo Gabriel to most of us the simplest Grubb, the forerunner of measure is snow oo Christmas Scrooge - are set against a

What are the odds on our having a real Dickensian

Christmas, 1986?

From available meteosnow over the holidays. But rological records the incidence of snow over Christmas in several days before Christmas Loodon has declined. In the and lasted right through Box-ing Day was io 1938. late 18th century the propor-tion of snowy Christmasses If we relax the require- was a respectable two out of ments, then we find that snow five. In the first 60 years of this on Boxing Day is more com- century it was well under one mon, particularly during the in 10, but the proportion has

> The memory of the coldest conditions of the 16th to 19th ceoturies is encapsulated in work of Charles Dickens, lo Dickens's first oovel,

background of snow and ice.

The fact that the publication of these chapters - late in December 1836, as part of a serial - coincided with one of the greatest snowstorms of the 19th century probably re-inforced the image with both the writer and his readership. With the publication of A Christmas Carol in December 1843, the die was cast.

While the memories of the Frost Fairs oo the Thames and the Dutch and Flemish winter landscapes have helped to reinforce the popular image, it was the Dickensian model that did most to establish the modern view of Christmas.

The more frequent cold spells of the last 10 winters could be a sign that we will be haviog more white Christmasses. But this is hard to reconcile with the growing evideoce that the global climate is warming. So for the It was Ann Larsson, a 34moment the safest assumption is that it is simply a product of the natural variability of our

W.J. Burroughs

Getting there is irrelevant at one

THE MINERS' STRIKE-AND TWO YEARS ON

PITS COMPENSATION

Swedish company,

whose workforce thinks en route

I f a novel idea thought un by the Swedes finds an echo here, British Rail can stop worrying quite so much standing so frustratingly 300 yards short of platform five could be full of computing commuters too busy with the work to worry about the wait. For high-speed read hi-tech.

These days, the minute they step aboard in Stockholm, a select few Swedish commuters who work for ASEA, the ouclear and electrical multinational based at Vasteras, 110 kilometres from the capital - start work at plush desks in front of computer termi-nals. The train, adapted at a cost of £400,000, is equipped with desks, ergonomically-designed furniture, computers, and dial-anywhere telephones.

At one desk sits Dusan Babala, a 49-year-old nuclear physicist. He is working on a system that aims to make ouclear reactors "ultimately safe". Sheets of paper dotted with complex equations litter

his desk.
"I moved to Stockholm from Vasteras in 1972", he says. "My wife works there. Before I travelled sometimes by car, sometimes by train. It was a total of two bours, 40 minutes wasted each day. Sometimes I would even have 11 Japanese rice drink to stay at Västeras all week."

e says the train is 14 Perinatal brain damperfect for me. I have almost everything I 17 Clear (8) need bere. I shouldn't be a bit surprised to see the idea catch oo in other countries. Why not 24 Rocky hill (3) in Britain for example, where you have so many commuters? I'm certainly very sat-isfied with it."

year-old member of ASEA's business development and corporate planning section — and herself a Stockholm-Vasteras commuter - who dreamt up the mobile office. "It was



On-line: Dan Tannenberg of ASEA makes his connection

given that the company makes locomotives and rolling stock,

works as a consultant to ASEA, finds the traio has done wonders for her family life. She hates commuting so much that she previously spent most of the week in a company flat in Vasteras, leaving her husband Morgan, 40, to look after their two children back home in Stockholm, "He's extremely happy about this

return journey six times a day. Tickets cost £20 return, but development," she says.

The mobile office is run by a it was good PR, apart from the practical benefits.

Birgitta Benthede, 38, who staff of four girls, working in iog coffee and tea and making sure things ruo smoothly. So far around 20 regular commuters use the office/train, which makes the

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FASHION by Suzy Menkes

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for Christmas parties, but be subtle and avoid the strident

old is the colour and glitter is the message for party dressing. Cosmetics and clothes both have a built-in sparkle but one that is subtle rather than strideot. A hiot of gilt oo a hair bow, a thread of gold woven through a sweater or a metallic sparkle on a plain fabric all make sophisicated evening statements. The fav-ourite inky velvet bustiers and little black dancing dresses have taken gold for a partner. and the fashion story is this mix of dark and light.

When David and Elizabeth Emanuel turned their boutique opening ioto a gilt-y party, they were starting a trend that will be seen right through Christmas and New Year's Eve. Matt and shine is spreading from the bigh fashion designers to the high street, and golden fashion accessories make good last minute Christmas presents. Present ideas with the Midas Street start with the season's bustier in shimmering gold (£14.95).

or party hair there are flat sain clip bows, chic in black and gold striped satin (£7.50). Round the waist of a black dress go gilded leather gloves (£24.95), a stretchy glitter sequinned belt or cummerbund (£5.95). Gilded leather gloves (£24.95) add a finishing touch. For lower-key occasions there is a plain black crew neck sweater with swirls of gold sparkle (£18.95).

Wicked lady outfits start with the Emanuels black Tshirt with a Ballo in Mascera gilded mask (£12.50 from 10 Beauchamp Place). A 1960sstyle sleeveless roll-neck sweater in black threaded with gold (£19.99) makes up an outfit with a slinky back-slit tube skirt (£24.99), from Next

A striking animal print in lurex on chiffon brings two fashion trends together in a tunic top (£29,99) from Miss Selfridge. This store's glitzy party clothes include a black taffeta fishtail dress with gold panels ruched at the side (£69.99), a stretchy lurex tube mini dress (£49.99) and a black shift swirling with glitter and with a plunging V at the back (£59.99). Estèc Lauder sets the trend

for sparkling cosmetics with her Quicksilver Colours that include silver eye definers, transluscent face powder and a Startit Silver nail lacquer. Mary Quant's liquid eyeliners come in gleaming gold or silver and her powder is laced with silver dust. Rimmel have come up with Glitz cosmetics - eyeshadow showered with golden specks and a tawny

ginger lipstick lit with pearl.

Even sensible Sainsbury are
putting oo the glitz for your
grocery shopping list — glitter
dust or gold stars are suspended in its jars of Miss J Nightglitz hair gel.



net, brocade and tuite, modelled on a David Fleiden tutu. Net in black, white and 18 vibrant colours, 65p a metre from John Lewis, Oxford Street and group stores. Two metres gathered on to elastic for each skirt layer. Bustler from a triangular one metre length of 140 cm fabric, tied at the back waist. Gitter brocades from £12.95 to £45, sequined slik £98 a metre, all at Liberty, Regent Street W 1. David Fielden at 132 Kings Road SW3. Bruce Oldfield seamed stockings £2.99, elbow length

Putting on the glitz. Make yourself the Christmas look with

satin gloves by Cornelia James £11.99 both from major department stores. Glitter basket of flowers earrings and crystal bracelet from Monty Don 58 Beauchamp Place SW3 Hair by Debble Horgan for Daniel Galvin's colour Salon, using

Make-up by B.J. Gillian for Faces Styled by Peta Hunt Photograph by TONY McGEE

Yule legs wrapped up in holly

Forget fishnet and seams; holiday stocking are sporting leaves,

lacy roses and

gold peacocks

The holly and the ivy, sequins and stars are all playing supporting roles in this year's patterned legs are dressed up in tights and stockings that put seams and fishnets in the shade. A discreet holly leaf adorns one leg of Zandra Rhodes' sheer black tights and Kunert go for glitz with an ornate swirling gold peacock.

Mary Quant has painted snowy white Christmas roses in delicate, lacy patterns on to thick white tights, and The Cloth sticks to abstract de-signs with haunting black and white faces. For sheer festive glamour Pierre Montoux bosiery spurts gold fountains, silver lurex rosettes sewn at diamanté studs all the way op.

Adorning Bruce Oldfield's hosiery design for the festive season is a discreet sparkling butterfly just above the right knee. Tiers, ruffles, puffballs and please of a sparkling than the state of the s and pleats all appear on dresses and skirts that end just below or above the knee leaving plenty of scope for the subtlest motif at the ankle or





Abstract black faces drawn on white tights, £3.25 designed by The Cloth for Aristoc; from Fanwicks, New Bond Street, W1

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Sheer black stockings with a rash of odd sized spots and circles, £18 by Pierre Monteoux from Browns, 27 South Molton Street, W1.

Omate golden peacock woven Into sheer black tights, £12.95 by Kunert from Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, SW1, Selfridges, Oxford Street, W1.

Delicate black and white floral patterned tights, £4.99 by Mary Quant from Selfridges, Oxford Street, W1 and leading stores. Left: festive socks — red and black patterned with Father Christmas and reindeer; and Christmas crackers, both £4.99, branches of the Sock Shop.

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Matching Zandra

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Holding court at the Gros-venor House Hotel last week was Zandra Rhodes, her shocking pink hair al-most colour matched to the lobster soundle. A week of fashion shows and festivites peaked on Friday under a Christmas tree elegantly

Sculptor Andrew Logan added Christmas glitter with his mirrored jewellery pinned to Zandra's pink crepe dress. She toasted mannequin queeo Adele Rootstein, io Zandra's trompe l'oeil Chanel-style chains printed on a slinky

is talking about a Rhodes wardrobe for her new evening chat show.

Guests at the glamorous unch, at Times Restaurant of the Year Ninety Park daywear collection, and especially the fantastic £500 denim jackets customized in fabrics, and inspired orig-inally by the Blitz ex-hibition at the Victoria and Albert Museum

weekend of fashion shows at Gleneagles in Scotland, tells me that by the end of 1987 we will be able to buy Zandra Rhodes Inggage, hair bows, more of her luxury knits and sweat-shirts, and a new lowerpriced collection to be made in India and launched in fashion week next March.



Benetton's Russian drive

The latest fashion company to embrace the big Bear is Benetton, who are hoping to take their colourful knits and ever-expanding empire to the Soviet Union early next year. Luciano Benetton, who runs the all-Italian family business with his brothers Gilberto and Carlo and designer sister Giuliana, has already penetrated the Iron and the Bamboo curtains. The United Colours of Benetton, immortalised in the fashioo world by the bold poster campaign by Italian photographer Toscani, have reached Budapest in Hungary, Prague in Czechoslovakia, Belgrade in Yugoslavia and Sofia in Bulgaria. A month ago Benettoo opened a state-owned store in Beijing, China, The Benetton brothers are oow talking confidently about having shops spanning the Soviet Union in five years.

Model editor?

Just as fashion doyenne Grace Coddington, winner of a 1960s Vogne model contest, leaves the Bible of Style to work for Calvin Klein in New York, I hear news of a model new recruit. Catherine Dyer (right), rangy wife of super-sampper David Bailey, is to give up her career in front of the Editor on Vogne. Beanpole Catherine, five foot nine and glossily elegant as a con-ventional cover girl, will take up her appointment in the new year, leaving the Bailey baby Paloma, 18 months, back home.

Catherine, the subject of a profile of her life and times with thrice-married Bailey in January's *Vogue*, is now 25 — a ripe old age for a model, however clasically beautiful. But Catherine still reveals a good deal of herself in a transparant



ogue's Bailey photograph. Will Bailey's ex, model Marie Helvin, who is author of a do-it-yourself style guide, join Catherine on her glossy new perch?





THE TIMES DIARY

Scientifically speaking

Margaret Thatcher, not famous for her love of dissidents within her own party, is eager to further her acquaintance with the Soviet physicist and human rights campaigner Yuri Orlov. Insiders at Downing Street tell me she was so impressed by Orlov when they met in November, after he was allowed to leave the Soviet Union, that she now wants him to brief her before her visit to Moscow, which is expected to take place early next year. I gather that her enthusiasm for Orlnv's counsel stems from his late arrival on the dissident scene, having already gained prominence in the Russian scientific establishment. Mrs T, of course, might have occupied a similar niche in Britain had she not been diverted along the way.

No bells prize

The West Germans have introduced what must be the last word in literary anti-awards - the £10,000 Karl Kraus Prize for the worst user of language. The award is made on condition the writer not only swears never to burst into print again but also agrees to denounce his or her writings. This year's winner, the critic Pritz Raddatz, has so far remained silent. I can only assume that this is because he is at present engaged on writing a book.

Post pique

Staff on a trade inurnal were flattered to get a Christmas card from Greville Janner, MP for Leicester West. But their joy turned to indignation on seeing that the envelope, marked London SW, was stamped with the words "Twenty three pence to pay". They should not be too censorious, however, for other prominent politicians - David Owen among them - have run into similar difficulties over posting cards in the parliamentary SW area.

→ Most popular requests on Louisiana State Penitentiary's prisoner-run radio station — Elvis Presley's Jailhouse Rock and Sam Cooke's Chain Gang.

Sighs

Confused by what size dress to buy my loved one for Christmas, I received unexpected help from an assistant at the Richmond branch of Hobbs, the boutique chain. Having ascertained that their build was about the same, the assistant obliged by baring her midriff with the cheerful inquiry: You mean this sort of shape?" What could I dn but gulp "Yes" and produce my chequebook.

BARRY FANTONI



Me? I've backed Inland Revenue at 5-2 on.'

Eyelid unbatted

As Mike Gatting's men do battle Down Under, Sierra Leone breathlessly awaits the arrival of an England XI for a tour which, officially, will include a Test match and a series of one-day internationals. This is leaving the British players somewhat confused since they are a collection of ciuh cricketers playing under the modest title of The Scorpions (because of the sting in their tail). They may not be top-flight cricketers, but they can certainly think on their feet. On their last visit to Sierra Leone they were greeted by President Joseph Momoh with the question: "Which is Botham and which is Gower" - to which a Scorpion immediately replied: Business commitments forced them to cancel at the last moment." If they field balls as sharply as questions, they must be in with a chance.

Fiver fever

Legal eagle Michael Joseph continues his battles with the profession. After infuriating fellow solicitors with his best-selling The Conveyancing Froud, he now plans a further ploy: paying his £255 Law Society sub in £5 notes stamped with the words "Lawyers Can Seriously Damage Your Health" - the title, incidentally, of his latest book. I have warned him that the jape would contravene a little-known Currency Act, which carries a maximum fine of £1. "It's worth running the risk," he says.

Living on

The right-wing Federation of Conservative Students may have been disbanded, but the Conservative Party must live with the taint for at least a year. Norman Tebbit, the party chairman, acted too late to prevent the federation's appearance in the 1987 Conservative Party Diary under the heading National Union Advisory

The unthinking enemy within

President Reagan has admitted that mistakes were made over Iran. That is all the more reason to keep those events in perspective. Yet, at the very time when America needs cool heads and calm co-operation to overcome the mistakes of the arms sales, partisan politics are endangering not only the recovery of America's world leadership, but the capacity of the presidency to conduct American foreign policy de-

cisively. The stakes are great. The world in 1986 is very different from the world in 1981. A steady erosion of clarity and confidence in Western ideas and values had pushed the West into a decade of decline. Too many succumbed to the weakness of unilateral restraint and accepted the inevitability of the Brezhnev doctrine. It was Reagan, along with leaders such as Mar-garet Thatcher and Helmut Kohl, who ended our long retreat and sparked the revitalization of the West. They understood that the West must deal with totalitarians from a position of strength.

As a result, in the last six years, we have not only prevented any nation from falling to communist conquest but have overturned the Brezhnev doctrine by welcoming the first country in post-war history, Grenada, back into the family of free nations.

But the foundation of renewed security the West has so painstakingly rebuilt is threatened by the turmoil over Iran. Those who would exploit the situation with harsh and partisan attacks on the president's policies risk not only Jack Kemp spells out the dangers in the attempts to undermine Reagan over Iran

paralyzing US foreign policy but rendering the entire Western world less prosperous, safe and free. We can expect great pressure from three fronts.

First, congressional opponents will attempt to use Iran as a means to lessen the President's power to conduct foreign policy. Over the past decade we have witnessed a rash of congressional initiatives to limit presidential authority. Two nf these, the Bnland and Clark Amendments, which prevented aid to freedom fighters in Nicaragua and Angola, were over-turned in the last Congress. But they will undoubtedly be brought in to include nther countries in the 100th Congress.

Efforts to weaken the National Security Council and the US intelligence agencies should also be expected. While such congressional supervision might satisfy some partisan feelings, it can only harm our nation. A future president, Democrat or Republican, restricted by Congress, inad-equately informed by a 1970sstyle intelligence network, will have little chance of promoting freedom, let ainne providing strong leadership to the United States and our allies.

Second, there will be a wholesale effort to dismantle the Reagan doctrine. No issue inspires more irrational npposition than Reagan's commitment to help

people to fight for their selfdetermination.

Thus the new Democratic leadership will try to stop funds for the Contras in Nicaragua. Even now they are trying to resurrect a plan that could cut off aid to the Contras in return for Nicaraguan communists signing a "peace treaty" which would neither hind them to keep the peace nor to honour their still unmet pledge to implement democracy.

The President will also come under pressure to support an accord in Afghanistan that would stop US arms shipments to the anti-communist guerrillas before any Soviet withdrawal.

Third, liberals in Congress and the arms control hureaucracy will intensify efforts to lock the President into arms control policies that cede unwise and unequal advantages to the Soviet Umon. Such policies, pushed through the House in the last minutes of the 99th Congress, included unilateral compliance with Salt II, a one-year moratorium on an uncompleted US testing programme and drastic cuts in SDI when the Russians are racing full speed ahead.

The President must draw the line, and, if necessary, veto any reduction in his authority to conduct foreign policy.

The Reagan doctrine must not just be saved; it must spread and succeed. The President may have

to thwart State Department efforts for a phony Contadora peace treaty for Nicaragua as he did last spring. In Afghanistan, he may have to stop the sellout of the Mujahedin. There can be no real settlement until Soviet forces have left Afghanistan to the Afghan

existing agreements before signing new ones, and on strict verification procedures as a sine qua non. And while striving for equitable reductions in nuclear arms, let us remember Mrs Thatcher's words that ouclear weapons in the hands of the West have been guarantors of freedom and peace. It serves us nothing to reduce nuclear weapons if we make the world safer for conventional war.

Above all, we must build on our progress, working with our allies stronger co-operation against terrorism, continued conventional modernization and a clear, workable blueprint to fund and begin

President Reagan has the ideas, the principles and the proven policies to move America forward. But he still needs support from Republicans who lnok to the future, from responsible Democrats who have supported his vision, and from our allies who look to America for leadership.

Clifford Longley examines the dilemma confronting the churches after John Biffen's appeal for moral reinforcement for the government's health awareness campaign

Schism over the scourge

The Christian churches, acting as guardians of traditional sexual morality, could become the government's most important allies in its education campaign against Aids. But, just as the government thinks it should not preach morality, so the churches are by no means sure they should capitalize on a public health crisis. Neither church nor government has fully appreciated that pre-Aids

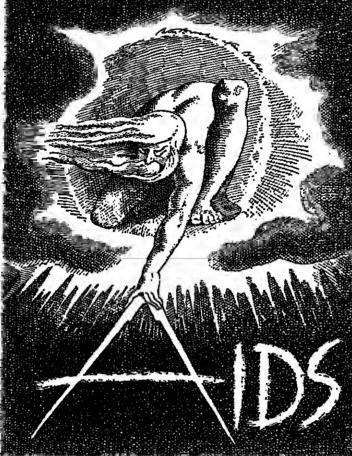
and post-Aids are two entirely different worlds, and that the earlier balances and compromises on sexual morality are not necessarily workable any more. Yet what the government and most people probably still want is unattainable: a Permissive Society without Aids.
The revolution in attitudes once

this goal is seen as impossible will be enormous, but it is a revolution which has hardly started. So while churchmen are dusting off their old sermnus on chastity, they are not yet sure whether to recycle them. They do not want to offend the code of liberal tolerance; nor do they want to be accused o whipping up Aids hysteria. Aids seems to be bringing out uncertainties and weaknesses all

In the Church of England, for instance, it is drawing attention to the profound disagreement concerning homosexuality. In evidence to a House of Commons committee on Aids this week, The General Synod's board for social responsibility had to admit that some hold the traditional view while others "leave the issue to private judgment where a stable caring relationship exists." In short, the Church of England has failed to answer the question of whether sodomy is sinful.

Against heterosexual promiscuity, the board cites a version of the so-called natural law argument that human bodies are not designed for casual sex, and there-fore it is bound to lead to trouble. But the natural law argument in mnral theology has generally been used in the past to prove the immorality of homosexuality, not promiscuous heterosexuality, where even traditional "natural law" theologians regard its relevance as a little uncertain.

The traditionalists have spotted this already, and attempts are likely to be made soon to relaunch the debate on the morality of homosexual acts. Pressure is already being felt from the grassroots - church members who



have never really come to terms with the official tolerance of moral pluralism - for a firm and ringing reaffirmation of the traditional ethic. At such levels the fine distinctions theologians like to make do not carry much weight; the church is seen simply as having lost the courage of its convictions.

Even finer theological distinctions are being made in the Roman Catholic Church. It has not been easy to describe ac-curately its official policy towards the anti-Aids programme. The church does nnt "agree" with it, but nor does it "nbject". The phrase "tacit acceptance" used in The Times to sum up the church's present broad attitude is proving tacitly acceptable, after one attempt to disown it.

Some aspects of the programme the church does reject, such as the slogan "Play Safe" on Radio One. The Social Services Secretary, Normam Fnwler, has offered to meet church representatives to discuss their difficulties, but there is no guarantee that he will understand them. The Catholic bishops have not been quick to accept his offer, which suggests they are not quite sure what they

want to say to him.

The fact is that the Catholic Church, like the Church of England, is still feeling its way, not quite sure what note to strike. While in the Anglican case the lack of an official line on homosexuality makes the church's attitude seem confused, so in the Catholic case the issue is bedevilled by the government's promotion of condoms as its first line of defence against Aids. The fact that a condom is a contraceptive device causes instinctive Catholic caution. Even if most married Catholics use contraceptives, the bishops could never publicly ap-

prove of their doing so. So the Christmas cracker Aids condundrum for Catholic churchmen is this: if it is wrong to use condoms, and wrong to be sexually promiscuous, can it be right to urge the sexually promiscuous

to use condoms? For that is what the government is doing. And the point is not lost on the church that unless the promiscuous do indeed use condoms, there is every likelihood of a serious Aids epidemic. "We do not want to be the cause of that," said one Catholic

So far no leader of any of the main denominations has given currency to the view that Aids is divine punishment for immorality. But beneath the surface it is clear that many of them do in fact believe something on those lines. The Anglican board's statement this week could be interpreted that way. The issue is raised whenever churchmen try to say why, exactly, promiscuity and homosexuality are wrong; is it just because God (or the church) disapproves, or is it because these activities are harmful to the individuals involved, being contrary to the way human sexuality is "naturally" designed to work?

They say it is the latter; and if God disapproves it is because of the harm that follows. But post-Aids, the harm is potentially far more serious. It may not be God taking revenge, but it is certainly nature taking revenge; and God, the churchmen all confess, designed nature.

So Aids is a penalty for sinful behaviour programmed into na-ture by its Designer. Unfortunately the penalty does not always fall only on the sinner.

There is plenty of substance here with which the churches could mount a stong assault on public opinion, quite openly admitting that they are using the Aids threat to promote traditional standards of sexual behaviour, with an argument like that above providing the logical connection.

At the moment they merely seem to want the government to do this for them: official Anglican and Catholic comments on the anti-Aids programme have regret-ted that the emphasis is on condoms rather than on chastity.

The issue for churchmen, now, is whether they can devise a programme of public education themselves that would stand a reasonable chance of changing people's moral attitudes and behaviour in favour of chastity. If they could, they might reasonably expect the government to help to pay for it, in the name of public

interview that the increase in people. On arms control, we need to insist on Soviet compliance with home and share ownership meant that the owners' children would receive "a sizeable inheritance ... in their middle years". His remarks were about the economy but they highlight the changing background to a much more personal matter: making a Until recently, this presented

immediate deployment of SDL

their working life when they needed all they could get to raise their own families. In the majority of harmonious families all was straightforward. Gone were the dilemmas and struggles of the large 19th century families with early and un-expected deaths, demographics which furnished the background © Times Newspapers, 1985. for the plot of many a Victorian

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a board game Peter Walker, the Energy Sec-retary, pointed out in a recent worship, only for ecclesiastical fashion to make it redundant some five years after and set up an

Now: the stiff as

few problems. Many parents had comparatively little wealth to

leave. The choice of beneficiary

was obvious; each other, then

their children, and, more often

than nnt, only two of them.

Furthermore, because life expec-

tancy was shorter, the benefit to

those children was also obvious:

they received a small sum of

money at a relatively early stage in

novel about wicked guardian un-

cles trying to defraud consumptive

wards of their rightful inheritance.

again. The amounts left are larger

as owner-occupation grows and

the price of properties has risen.

The privatization of British

Telecom, Gas and TSB has signifi-

cantly widened share ownership

dren, they may protect other,

capital assets for transfer. Not all

these assets are passed on through

wills: many are transferred before

death to avoid taxes. But to those

owning them, they are all sums to

be passed on and about which

decisions have to be made. Indeed

the taxes and possibility of earlier transfer add to the decisions to be

taken. Poor decisions may burden

recipients with tax debts making

them "beneficiaries" largely in

Those inheriting these sums, the

offspring, are no longer, in many

cases, impoverished young mar-

rieds, let alone penniless children,

hnt married couples with a house

of their own and at the peak of

their own earning power. Nor are

they necessarily the only or obvious choice. The increasing di-

vorce rate and, even more, the

high remarriage rate, are playing havoc with the old tidy "family" obligations. And childless couples

have no obvious blood beneficiary

after each other's death. I say

It is not only family patterns which are changing. The institu-

tions to which many leave money

are also subject to rapid change.

Pity those who left hard-earned

nothing of lesbian mothers.

and there is more to come. Though higher pensinns cannot themselves be inherited by chil-

But now the trends are changing

ugly wooden table in its stead. Many of our towns, especially at the seaside, are decorated with wooden benches inscribed with the names of their donors who, no doubt, had pleasant visions of providing a placid resting place for pensioners loaded with shopping to sit, look at the sea, converse and meet friends. Would they have left the money if they could have seen the benches piled high with teenagers eating soggy chips, groping at each other and shouting abuse at the present generation of pension-

ers as they wearily passby?
Is it safe for a capitalist, meateating cat lover to leave his estate to an organization which looks after abandaned doggies and pussies? Might it not be taken over by extremist-activist vegetarians set on destroying the meat and poultry industry?

Slowly it dawns that not only must decisions be made hut that they are not congenial. Innocently one had thought that giving away money would be easy and rather fun. Worse, it is apparent that the decisions might cause harm.

What will son Richard do if he finds himself with £100,000 to blow at the age of 45 just as he and Margaret are simultaneously enjoying their mid-life crises, seeing their house empty of the cementing influence of their now adult children and going through an acrimonious "bad patch?" Mr Walker thinks he will rush out and start a business.

I gather that the determination to get round to making a will features high in the New Year resolutions of those of a certain age. Perhaps if Christmas gets unbearably warm and friendly, they might cool things down a bit by inviting the family to join in and argue about who should inherit before they decide on January L.

The argument turns out to be just like the politics of welfare: there are advocates of comprehensive welfare who want everyone to receive an equal share; means testers who would direct it at those with least income; wealth creators who would give it to those who have made most money and might make most of more; fine tuners who would try to rig its future benefits in detail; and, just like politicians, those who would use it to satisfy old scores or foment envy and unrest. A most educational Christmas game - let's call it Testaments.

No, you can't see the right inswers. I just thought you might like a new, genuine and intriguing social puzzle to play. Anything to distract attention from the one they" have set us for 1987. Can you imagine? A whole year of the Environment.

The author is director of the Social

moreover . . . Miles Kington

I've got it, you name it

Here is a little Christmas quiz based loosely on the year's news, which you may care to cut out and keep for the festive period, or even cut into individual questions for stuffing into crackers. There are no prizes for getting the right answers save a glow of smugness. 1. Which was the event most looked forward to during the whnle of 1986 and which, when it came, turned out to be the dampest squib? (a) Big Bang (b) Royal Wedding; (c) Eddy Shah's Today.

2. Which of the following is the most accurate description of Big Bang? (a) It is a method nf dragging the running of the London Stock Exchange from the 18th century into the 19th; (b) It enables insiders to get news of Guinness share price movements even earlier than they would normally do; (c) It keeps Sid in

touch. 3. Which, during 1986, became the longest-running war in 20th-century history? (a) Iran-Iraq War, (b) Contest between Karpov and Kasparov; (c) The America's Cup preliminaries.

4. Courtney Pine is which nf the following? (a) Jazz musician; (b) Most expensive health resort in Britain; (c) Small Wiltshire village where cruise-missile carriers always break down.

5. What has been described as the most racially-oriented set-up in the world today? (a) South Africa; (b) Brent Council.

6. Robert Maxwell was accused by Private Eye of having asked Labour politicians for a title. This charge was thrown out on the grounds that: (a) Labour politicians would never be in a position to grant him a title; (b) The title had already been given to Boh Geldof and melted down to raise money for Band Aid; (c) If the accusation was made by Private Eye it must be false.

7. The British government is trying to prevent publication of Peter Wright's book in Australia because: (a) The book needs all the publicity it can get; (b) The case gives a few politicians and civil servants the chance to fly out to Australia to watch a Test match; (c) Sir Michael Havers and Sir Robert Armstrong are both fulltime Soviet spies?

8. What is or are Loose Tubes? (a). Ian Murray New 1222 band; (b) British entrant in the America's Cup; (c) Rare disease from which Michael Heseltine suffers 9. Samosa is or was what? (a) A

Pacific island on which France tests her anti-Greenpeace weapons; (b) Absolutely delicious oriental snack; (c) President of Mozambique who very suddenly became ex-president while flying over South Africa.

10. The Nimrod early-warning system was turned down by the British government in preference to the American Awaes system because: (a) It was backed by the Ministry of Defence and therefore suspect; (b) You could see its . arguments coming a mile off; (c) Anything made by a company with James Prior in charge is not going to be picked by the British government while Mrs Thatcher is in charge.

11. Which of the following was given away this year by Mrs Thatcher because nobody could be found who wanted to buy a single share in it? (a) Westland Helicopters; (b) Leon Brittan; (c) The Commonwealth Games.

12. What does it mean when an American citizen pleads the Fifth Amendment? (a) He knows everything; (b) He knows nothing; (c) He knows everything but President Reagan knows nothing.

13. Ian Botham declared that he would rather leave Somerset than be parted from Viv Richards and Joel Garner. As a result: (a) All three have gone to play for different counties; (b) All three have gone to play in different countries; (c) Taunton, in desperation, has decided to leave the Commonwealth and make a unilateral declaration of independence.

14. Prime Minister's Question Time is an ancient parliamentary ritual which is so called because: (a) The prime minister asks all the questions; (b) Mr Kinnock asks very long questions divided into five separate parts, and Mrs Thatcher answers none of them; (c) Mrs Thatcher reads out bits of paper on which are written statistics about the performance of the last Labour government which has no relevance to any question she is being asked.

15. Jeffrey Archer is currently: (a) Writing a novel based on his life; (b) Starring in a film based on his life; (b) Writing an apologetic Christmas card to Mrs Thatcher.

I oday' from Bethlehem 's message

The people in the camps know that Christmas is coming when the number of arrests starts to rise. In the past week there have been 20, slightly more than usual, but that was expected in the wake of the widespread, often violent, demonstrations in the Israeli-occupied territories this month. This Christmas, they seem almost to take heart in the arrests for they see them as a kind of victory.

The camp is Dheisheh, which hangs on to the southern fringe of Bethlehem along the eastern side of the main road to Hebron. When tensions rise, children in the camp specialize in throwing stones at the Israeli cars travelling up and down the highway. From an early age, they are taught that peace on earth means little in the suburbs of Bethlehem.

Majed Nimer Odeh has been arrested seven times in his young life and he pulls a wry face when he is asked about the Christmas message. "During this period the Israelis try to put away the more nationalist ones. They can make an arrest and don't need to make a charge for 18 days, so just before Christmas they round up the likely

troublemakers. "Sometimes we feel Christmas because of the big numbers of soldiers sent in. They put up their tents just across the road and increase the patrols. Then we know it's Christmas."

People in the camp blame the extra clampdown on the fact that nver the holiday the eyes and ears of the world briefly focus on the not-so-little town of Bethlehem. The authorities and, they say, most of all Elias Freij, the mayor, want to be sure that there is a quiet, peaceful Christmas for the benefit of the television cameras and the choirs from all over the world in Manger Square by the Church of the Holy Nativity on Christmas Eve. Once the holiday is over and the media attention is somewhere else, the camp returns

to normal. "Normal" means living under permanent scrutiny from an observation post among the boulders on the rough hillside overlooking the camp. From there, army patrols are directed by radio to any place where something suspicious is seen.

Dheisheh is peopled by suspects. Walk along its muddy roads, where the open sewers flow down the middle, and seemingly everyone you pass has a criminal

Shimon Peres is no longer prime minister of Israel, as stated in an article nn this page nn Enday

infants school the teacher is a trained social worker, Najah Ibrahim, who remembers how, as a girl of six, she was shocked when her father was arrested within days of Israel occupying the West Bank in 1967. Her class of bright-eyed fiveyear-olds are learning reading and writing together with a good deal of stories of Islam.

They know one about a pregnant virgin, who gave birth under a palm tree and was then inspired to take the fruit of the tree and eat it, she explains. Her children identify the garish tinsel tree in Manger Square, where the Christmas processions start, as the tree of that virgin. But the Christmas message seems lost. Will the fiveyear-olds grow up to throw stones? "Why not?", says the social worker whose father went to prison. "They are Palestinians."

The camp is unmistakably Muslim. Its one new building is the minaret of the mosque, rising like a lighthouse above the squalor. Old men with grizzled beards and torc keffiyah head-scarfs wonder at the growing enthusiasm of the young for regular prayer.

Their other faith is that they will return to the land of their fathers. some 39 carefully remembered villages on the fertile plains west

of the Judean Hills. From the age of eight, children are taken back to the area in the summer to work in the fields and orchards, now run by Jewish farmers, and to see the land from which their families fled in 1948. Back in the fifth of the camp, the resentment festers.

"They get arrested so often that they start not caring," says Majed Odeh. "The young people start having no fear. They just don't care if they are caught. It becomes normal being arrested."

To judge by the cold and empty streets of Bethlehem this year, that resentful militancy is having its effect. The tinsel outside the shops tarnishes in the rain. Salesmen from shops selling olive wood and mother-of-pearl rush out in near desperation to call "please come inside and look only look," at each гаге Dassing tourist.

Tales of terrorism and unrest spread worldwide have wrecked travel to the holy places this year. Hotels have never been so empty. There is plenty of room in the ings. There is too much peace and quiet, but for the wrong reasons. It is born, not of Christmas, but of the filth, frustration, and resentment that produces violence in the refugee camps.



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THE SOCIALIST DILEMMA

Mr Neil Kinnock must hope that the end of 1986 is the nadir of his and his party's fortunes from which both will recover as the general election draws near. It would certainly be foolish to suppose that either Labour or its leader can now be written off. Despite the fall in Labour's public support as charted by the opinion poils, the party still has immense reserves of support to draw on from people and from social classes who take it as axiomatic that Labour is the natural defender of their interests and who feel tied to it

by history.

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This support gives the party a solid platform in certain areas from which it can rise again if the Conservatives are damaged either by their own errors or by political accidents. Labour's massive majorities in these places also make it hard for the Alliance, with its own vote spread more evenly and thinly over the country, to supplant Labour as the Tories' principal rival. The important qualification to the Tories' recent rise in the opinion polls at Labour's expense is that, even in relation to the latest Gallup poll (giving the Tories an 8.5 per cent lead) Labour support is still significantly higher than it was in the 1983

When all this is said, bowever, the outlook for Labour today seems bleak. It is understandable that some of Mr Kinnock's colleagues should press him to bowdlerise still further the parties' commitment to expel the US nuclear bases which, with its anti-Nato implication, has recently done Labour most damage.

They would also like Labour to switch its attack to social and ecocomic policies, and specifically to the welfare sereducation, unemployement and industrial policy. Yet it is by no

means clear that Labour will do better on this pitch than it has done with defence, unless the government inflicts damage on itself. The economy is improving, unemployment is falling, and the government is spending more on the social services. But above all, the public's rejection of Labour lies not in its stars, nor even in its leader, but in its own present nature.

Mr Kinoock, it is true, does appear increasingly implausible as a national leader. His attempts to explain away public anxieties over Labour's defence policy on the grounds that it will make Britain strooger seem simply ludicrous against Nato condemnation. But the intellectual incoherence which he manifests merely reflects the intellectual incoherence of a Labour Party which, faced with the electorate's rejection of the socialism to which the party is hooked, tries to camouflage its objectives with a smart public image and verbal re-packaging.

In one sense it is a problem as old as the attempts of the Gaitskellites in the 1950s to turn Labour in a new direction. It had then become clear that the country, though it wanted a welfare state, would tolerate no more socialism. Gaitskell and his friends fought to reverse their party's socialist commitment and

seemed almost to have succeeded. The Wilson government of 1964 was the beneficiary of this achievement. Six years later, however, its version of social democracy had foundered, largely because the unions made it unworkable. Then, in the 1970s, came Labour's massive shift to the left, the abolition of its defences against extremist infiltration, and the clear socialist commitment which, under Mr Micbael Foot's leadership, was rejected by the nation

It was as the candidate of this commitment to socialism that Mr Kinnock rose to be his party's leader. He is the child of socialism and he shares its reflex actions, even though he now tries to trim the party's policies to accomodate the fact that the nation dislikes them. He encapsulates Labour's problem, but he is not its cause. He is not a clear-headed politician, and is prone to suppose that verbal fluency wasbes away public discontent

It is probably true that social

policy offers Labour more than defence. Yet if Mr Kinnock had avoided going into battle for the defence policy to which he and his party were committed, be would have been smoked out and would have had to try to explain it sooner or later, with precisely the same effect. The same is also true of social policy. The nation does not want socialism, yet socialism is what it is being offered. Mr Kinnock is not a brilliant policitian, but the most brilliant of politicians cannot sell policies the nation dislikes.

BALANCING THE UN BUDGET

its affairs io order was sponta-

neous. In fact, it was last year's

decision by an exasperated

United States to cut its finan-

cial contribution in draconian

fashion which forced the Gen-

eral Assembly to act. A partial

reprieve by Congress wheo

reviewing the budget last Octo-

ber enabled the Secretary-

General to struggle through to

But with the USA paying 25

eet the organization was

per cent of the UN's annual

faced by a choice this year

between bankruptcy and re-

form. To the relief not only of

the United States but also

Britain which finds less than

five per cent and the Soviet

Union which finds more than

ten, the organization has reluc-

tantly chosen the second op-

The distribution of its finan-

cial burden among the UN's

159 member countries is un-

changed. Washington firmly

rejected a suggestion that the

USA should start paying less

in percentage terms - because

this would have risked a

reduction in its influence over

the organization. This in itself

broadly confirms the view that

it was not the financial burden

as much as the UN's anti-

Western stance which pro-

sanctioning additional

voked Congress to act.

the end of the year.

Annual income twenty pounds, annual expenditure twenty pounds nought and six, result misery - said Mr Micawber. He was not, bowever, thinking of the United Nations, where the result would have been not so much misery as a demand for more money from Washington, That at least has been the position until now, and the news that things have changed is as welcome over here as it is over there. The UN is becoming cash conscious.

The 15 per cent cut, which has now been agreed in the organization's 14,000 stafftogether with economies in meetings, travel expenses and paperwork - is long overdue. Last year, for example, it was proposed to hold three special meetings on Southern Africa away from the organisation's New York headquarters, although the additional (and quite unnecessary) cost of staging them out of town was equivalent to the total annual UN contributions of its 40 poorest countries. With 70 nations responsible for less than two per cent of the annual UN hudget, the Third World has been perfectly happy to see overall spending double within a decade.

Meanwhile. developing countries have been able to use the General Assembly as a forum for their anti-Americanism and strident dislike of Western capitalist powers who actually did have to meet the rising bills.

THE POOR AT CHRISTMAS

Poverty, a pinched and miserable experience at any time, is particularly depressing over Christmas. The annual orgy of getting, spending and advertising makes poor families feel their everyday deprivations with particular sharpness.

Everyone else is uneasily conscious of the paradox that the religious season which should relieve the poor of their hurdens has become a grand commercial celebration which makes those burdens more onerous than usual. It is half the reason why charities make their appeals to the general public at this time.

Hence, perhaps, the appearance this week of two studies of poverty in Britain from the Low Pay Unit and the Child Poverty Action Group. Both argue that poverty has grown worse in Britain - over periods of 100 and 20 years

respectively. Take, first, the Low Pay Unit's report, The Pay Race -Winner and Losers. This points out that in 1886 the bottom fifth of wage-earners earned 69 per cent of the average manual wage, Today, the same calculation suggests that the bottom fifth earn only 65 per cent of the average. Accordingly, the report con-

Third World has used its organisation. cludes that the "gap" between

the lowest-paid and the rest of

society has "widened." However, over the same period, the real income of both average earners and the low paid has risen something like fourfold. In comparison with this 400 per cent rise in their real living standards, the four per cent drop in relative earnings by the low paid is a statistical bip of no significance. It is a measure not of poverty, but of inequality.

The term invented to make such reasoning popular is, of course, relative poverty. The essentially bogus character of this concept can be seen as follows. if a slump were to cut average earnings by half but below-average earnings by only a quarter, the low-paid might be starving but they would be relatively better-off.

Similar reasoning flaws the CPAG's report on poor children. This argues that not only are more children living in poverty today, but also that such poverty is greater thao it was 20 years ago, since supplementary benefits have declined as a percentage of average earnings from 48 to 39

per cent. In fact, both average earnings and supplementary bene-

It would be nice to think majority in the General that the UN's resolution to put Assembly to vote the UN Assembly to vote the UN more funds without too much thought about where it should. come from Henceforth, all extra spending will have to be approved by the 21-member programme and coordination committee in which the major donors will be able to block any conscosus.

In one sense the American backlash has come too late. The UN has been growing more moderate in the last year or two. There is even a danger that an attempt by Washington to force even more concessions could be counterproductive.

The test of this will come next October when the Senate Foreign Relations Committee decides on the next year's UN cootribution. For the committee to tighten the screw could have the opposite effect - by provoking the UN's more radical lobby to throw out the package of reforms now agreed, and a loss of the ground which has been won. This seems unlikely, however, following the mid-term elections - and the appointment as chairman of Senator Claiborne Pell, a sympathetic Democrat from Rhode Island.

For General Vernon Walters, US ambassador to the UN, to describe the reforms as a "great day for mankind" might be going a little far. But The new system for if the UN can now spend only nineteen pounds, nineteen and expenditue should help to sixpence, it could be the first correct this. Until now the step to an effective world

> fits have risen in real terms. As another table in the report reveals, a family of four living on supplementary benefit today is about 12 per cent betteroff in real terms than in 1966 since that is the amount hy which the increase in benefits

has outstripped price rises. Furthermore, that rise in real supplementary benefit levels is one reason for the increase in the number of poor people. As the level at which people become eligible for social benefits rises, so more people become eligible and thus defined as poor. Official figures suggest that the six per cent rise by which benefits have outstripped prices since 1979 accounts for the entire increase in the number of

people at or below supple-

mentary benefit levels. But relative poverty in Britain remains not too far from absolute poverty. Those on supplementary benefit this Christmas will not be starving, hat they will not be enjoying high standards of nutrition or good housing conditions. It is that which should concern us. not the manipulation of statistics which tell us more about the political convictions of their authors than about the

condition of England

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

force being swept aside in a matter

of days is as unthinkable as the

subsequent invasion and occupa-

can avoid involvement."

Yours faithfully, GORDON M. L. SMITH,

44 Devonshire Street, W1.

From Mr Walter Cairns

Sir, Loath though I am to take issue with my friend and former

mentor, Professor Lasok (Decem-ber 16), I feel compelled to question his assessment of Lab-

our's defence policy in the light of

18th-century Poland rather than

in that of 20th-century Britain.

The whole thrust of Labour's

policy is oot to weaken our

defences, bot to strengthen them

to the point where any con-ventional attack by the Warsaw Pact is impossible. There is no need to back this up by means of any nuclear weapons based in this

country simply because the point

at which American strategic nuclear weapons could wipe out

every Russian several times over was reached 20 years ago.

This is unt, however, the same

as "sheltering under America's

nuclear umbrella", but merely stating the undeniable fact that

America will retain its massive

strategic nuclear capacity regard-

less of what any British gov-

ernment does or fails to do.

Department of Public Law.

From the Director of the Royal

Sir, Radio 4 this morning (Decem-

ber 15) iotroduced the verb

"anonymise". May 1 therefore

letterise you that such verbising

and should not be radioised by the

overwhelming, the plea "guilty" and the consequence a driving bao

of oot less than a year. Accordingly the likelihood of injustice or

hardship in imposing a pre-trial

ban is not great. The advantage to

the public is that the danger

presected by the drink/driver is

present law, however. Where a

man has been remanded in cus-

tody pending trial and is given a custodial sentence the time spent

on remand is treated as having

been part of the sentence. If a man

is banned from driving pre-trial by way of a bail condition, this will

not, as I understand the law, count

towards any period of dis-

qualification subsequently imposed for the offence. This

unfortunate error should be re-

The drink/driver is usually at

his worst at this time of year. I hope the "controversial" justices

in Oxford are not to be alone in

duing their bit to keep our roads

lo our humble view, the lot of

the bankrupt must inevitably get far worse before consideration can

be given to make it better. In the

meantime; the disgrace and humiliation will increase, as will

the numbers suffering them be-

cause of the greater case in the

procedure in making someone

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL A. SHELDON-

Association of Bankrupts).

32 Finchley Lane,

Hendon, NW4.

foods.

Yours faithfully,

Sandy Lodge.

MICHAEL MEREDITH.

Bridgort, Dorset.

Loog Lane, Botnenhampton,

ALLEN (Hoo Legal Secretary,

Badgering badgers

Sir. I agree with Mr Martelli (December 13) that badgers are a

most difficult gardeo pest to combat. But they are strictly nocturnal, so a small light — I use a

15-watt bulb fixed about two feet

above ground level - will keep

them out of the illuminated area.

It will even keep them away from

strawberries, one of their favourite

From Mr Michael Meredith

TOM HARRISON

Swan Lane. Haverhill, Suffolk.

December 11.

bankrupt

Harrison & Co, Solicitors,

moved.

There is one anomaly in the

immediately removed.

Yours sincerely, BERNARD COOTE, Director,

Royal School for the Blind,

Highland Road,

Leatherhead, Surrey.

terribilises the English is

Yours sincerely,

December 16.

W. CAIRNS, University of Dundee,

Scrymgeour Building, Park Place, Dundee.

Mere verbiage

School for the Blind

BBC.

December 15...

It is to Mr Kinnock's credit that

Soviet view of space-based defence Home thoughts

From Major-General Rair

Sir, I would like to express my disagreement with the article in support of the strategic defence initiative by David Hart (Decem-

First, the author of the article claims that SDL, even if it is only 32 per cent effective in destroying enemy targets, will substantially enhance deterrence, stabilise the international situation and de-prive the Soviet Union of a firststrike capability.

However, deterrence implies

that in the event of nuclear attack, the victim must have the ability to inflict unacceptable retaliatory damage oo the aggressor. By seeking to deprive the Soviet Union of this capability, SDI actually undermines deterrence. Furthermore, even if SDI is only partially implemented, the

risk of ouclear conflict will in-crease, because SDI implies the development of weapons which are both offensive and defensive.
A space-based missile defence system could become a shield from behind which the United States might try to launch a first strike (and surely it is illogical for Mr Hart to base his argument oo the premise that the Soviet Union. which has a no-first-use-ofnuclear-weapons policy, would start such a conflict, rather than the United States, which has never ruled oot a first strike).

Secood, Mr Hart advances utopian schemes for a jointly-con-trolled Soviet-American missile defence system. But even if both sides deploy such systems the strategic system would remain unstable because the system of one side would be able to put out of commission the system of the

Third, Mr Hart argues that since any programme to counter land-based lasers would be more expensive than their deployment, these lasers could make the whole system effective. Yet here are just four of many cheap ways to render land-based lasers ineffective: the orbital spraying of fine particles creating mirror surface defects that make laser focusing impossible; spraying light-weight materials oear a mirror or laser with a high degree of laser radiation absorption; protecting missiles with beam-reflecting and absorbing coating or making missiles revolve around their axes to prevent laser beam focusing; shortening the post-boost path of ballistic missiles and other measures to impede anti-missile

weapoo targeting.

The flaws in Mr Hart's arguments underline the point that the only way to peace and stability lies through agreements on cutting and eventually eliminating nuclear weapons here on earth rather than through the development of space shield-swords.

Yours sincerely, RAIR SIMONYAN, Ministry of Defence of the Union Frunzi Street, Moscow, USSR. December 16.

From Mr G.M.L. Smith Sir, Major-General James Lunt (December 12) demonstrates the futility of Mr Kinnock's idyllic dream of matching the Warsaw

Pre-trial driving ban

From Mr Tom B. Harrison Sir. Your Legal Affairs Correspondeot reports (December 9) the "cootroversial" decision of Oxford magistrates to ban a man from driving before his case has been heard. It is indeed controversial, since most people strongly oppose the general priociple of punishing a man before his guilt is determined.

There are some instances, however, when the protection of the public transcends that principle and demands some form of restriction upon the accused's

freedom. An accused may be remanded in custody before trial where an exception to the right to bail, now enshrined io the Bail Act 1976, is established. By the same token I see no reason why magistrates should oot in appropriate circumstances, attach, as a condition to granting a person bail, a prohibition upon driving until his case is heard. This should only be considered proper in the most serious cases and where there is good reason to believe the acrused would commit a further uffence if allowed to continue driving.

lo most cases the evidence against the drink/driver is

Law on bad debts From Mr M. A. Sheldon-Allen Sir. The letter of Mr Sidney Z. Manches (December 11) makes a number of valid points. This association, during its short life thus far of nearly four years, has spent most of its evergies in trying to ubtain more equitable treat-ment for those made bankrupt, whilst still recognising the pos-

itioo of the creditors. Under the new Insolvency Act no prior court proceedings will be needed io many cases, since the act of bankrupicy (now given a new name) will be the failure to pay within a short period of time any moneys due to the creditor after the service of a demand in a

prescribed form. The debtor has the right, on limited grounds, to apply to set aside the demand, but we will increasingly see petitions pre-sented and bankruptcy orders made without the liability for the debt being properly tested by the

It cannot be disputed that the old bankruptcy laws were founded in the days of Dickens. It is my view that the ocw insolvency laws take us back to the attitude of the Middle Ages.

Pact's millions of highly trained, heavily armed, whole time on curriculum servicemen by increased "conventional" defences.

From Viscountess Ingleby Sir, As Mr Kenneth Baker makes his plans for a national curricu-Mr Kionock's visioo of a prelum, may I make a special plea for 1914 style defence, with volunteer the importance of the less obvious subject of home economics to be servicemen fighting oo the Continent, with no inconvenience or included (with realistically adedanger to anyone else, has a quate time in the timetable) in every school, for every young nostalgic appeal to a generation, including Dr Humphrey Smith (December 12) with 00 memory of person - academic and less so, boys as well as girls?
With so many broken homes Dunkirk or the conventional blitz. and to whom the certainty of our

loday in every stratum of society, and also many youngsters in residential care for much of their upbringing, this particular subject has an even greater significance beyond the classroom.

he has refrained from the Labour Party's fudge in 1939, "collective If well taught, it can give added confidence and often, instead of a sense of inadequacy, of achievable possibilities beyond the subject security". That meant alliances between two or more disarmed nations, each looking to the others to do the fighting. Hitler knew that 0+0+0=0. matter (i.e., the tools for the job of household management, bringing up a family, good budgeting, cooking and health matters etc) to The issue is, however, largely academic, because Mr Kinnock is probably the only member of the build better, more stable homes for themselves and their own Shadow Cabinet who would confamilies - particularly to those most in need of it. sider for one moment any strengthening of conventional forces. The gamble is still "Give war a chance. We bet that Britaio

I write from the experience of a good many years as governor of a comprehensive school (previously grammar) in inner London, coupled with involvement with vol-untary residential work with young people.
Yours faithfully

SUSAN INGLEBY. Flat 1, 61 Onslow Square, SW7.

Hope deferred

From Professor T. C. Barker Sir, In June this year the Economic and Social Research Council announced that it had allocated £250,000 to promote research into the history of innovation in the United Kingdom. I was invited to join five other specialists on a small sub-committee to make recommendations on the merits of the various applications for this money and to monitor the

progress of research.

Early io August I was informed that the first meeting of the sub-committee would be neld today (December 5).

Very recently I received a brief note from ESRC telliog me that, although 39 proposals awaited our consideration, the meeting had been postponed because of "budgetary constraints on further travel and subsistence expenditure in this financial year".

None of us had to be brought from outside the United King-dom. Three of us, io fact, would have to travel no more than about 50 miles and I merely had to cross a small part of London. No indication was given of how far into the future the meeting would have to be postponed.

Presumably the allocation of the £250,000 will now be deferred until new travel expenditure is authorised by the ESRC in the oext financial year. Meanwhile the 39 applicants will be left wonder-

That the only Government source of funding for the social sciences has been brought to such a pass is most alarming. Yours faithfully. T. C. BARKER,

The London School of Economics

December 5. Patent protection

and Political Science.

Houghtoo Street, WC2.

From Mr Archy Kirkwood, MP for Roxburgh and Berwickshire

Sir, The campaign by the Association of British Pharmaceutical Industry to abolish licences of right for pharmaceutical products, of which echoes have recently appeared in your columns (November 26, December 1), is as astonishing as it is audacious.

The multinational drug companies are amongst the world's most profitable businesses; earlier this year they obtained a £60 million bonus through the pharmaceotical price regulatioo scheme and now they are mounting a campaign whose effect will be to prejudice the cootinuing viability of the independent

generics industry. The claim that the licence of right provision in the 1977 Patents Act is "unique to the UK" is at best a half-truth. The degree of protection in Britain is exceptionally great because the product itself is protected, rather than simply the process of manufacture (as is the case in such countries as Denmark, Greece, Spain, Por-tugal, Austria, Finland, Norway,

and Canada).

And to cite the United States, as Sir John Harvey-Jones does (December 1), is extraordinary, as there - unlike the UK - substitution of generic products for the criginal brand is available at the retail pharmacist level.

what must be remembered is that all products patented since 1978 now enjoy a 20-year patent protection — the argument concerns solely the pre-1978 patented products. When invented, these had only a 16-year patent life; the 1977 Patents Act retrospectively extended this to 20 years and deliberately balanced this extension with a licence of right provision available only for the final four years.

To abolish licences of right now would impose an extra £150-200 million annual burden on the National Health Service's drugs hill by the early 1990s and kill off the competition from the independent generic iodustry, which has helped to keep this bill down. This hardly accords with economic sease or with the Government's professed belief in free comestition. Yours sincerely

ARCHY KIRKWOOD, House of Commons: .

ON THIS DAY

DECEMBER 23 1935

New Zealand had won the second Engry encounter between the two countries in 1924, so that this was regarded as the "decider". That increased the excitement, and Bernard Darwin, as ordent a partisan for Wales in Rugby as he was for Cambridge in golf, flung his hat in the air and was, on his

RUGBY FOOTBALL A WELSH VICTORY ALL BLACKS LOSE A GREAT GAME

From Our Rugby Football

Weish Rugby football bridged the years at Cardiff on Saturday when New Zealand were beaten by the odd point in 23 - two goals and one try (13 points) to one goal, one dropped goal and one try (12 points).

The story of the match unfolded itself with all the cruel relish of highly-spiced fiction. A ground hardened by frost and a treacher-ous surface added to the thrills and nazards. To the winners, even more than the losers, it was an uphill fight from the first kick to the last. Like 1905 in result, it was most unlike it in development. In 1965, perhaps the greatest of all Welsh sides won a grim struggle against the original All Blacks, by one try to nothing — the famous text-book try scored by Terry Morron In 1935 a new and partly Morgan. In 1935 a new and vastly different Wales achieved something equally great by different methods, methods which were more or less enforced on them by the course of the play and the state of the ground. New Zealand, as generally expected, got most of the ball, yet scored only one try by means of passing. Their other nine points were the result of Welsh mistakes and the greatness of Gilbert as a kick. Gilbert's dropped goal from almost halfway will live as long in the memory, or even longer, then Wallace's winning hazard at Swansea 30 years ago.

WOOLLER'S STRIDE

Wales, having escaped actual disester in the first half while their forwards were settling down into a pack - the lessons in forward play were cheap at three points -suddenly sprang to effective life early in the second half. The chances in the open never were of the obvious kind, and the classical method of approach was next to impossible. But, in their use of Wooller's stupendous stride — now being used in midfield — the cleverly placed punt shead, and last but not least, the close support offered to the man who had broken away, helped by the bounce of the ball, the Welsh backs showed themselves better opportunists even then their brillism

oppon tries turned Wales from a losing side into a winning one in a few minutes. Yet the battle was barely half lost and won. Crisis once more settled on the Welsh team, when under intense pressure mistakes were made, and a wonderful dropped goal by Gilbert, closely followed by a second try by Ball, seemed to spell bitter disappointment. There was a horrified silence when the score-board, which had to be rectified at the instruction of the referee, established the fact that Gilbert also had converted Ball's snatch-try into a goal and the score had changed from 10-3 in favour of Wales to 12-10 the other way round. None too much time remained, but the Welsh countereffort, undeterred by the carrying away of Tarr, their hooker, on a stretcher, was to prove invincible, and 50,000 imprisoned spirits fairly broke loose when the winning try

was scored: Even then the result was not fully signed and settled ... When, at last, Idwal Rees, as heroic and telling a player in his way as Wooller was in his, caught the final skier and punted it deliberately into touch, a shouting crowd swept over the field ... singing over the field ... singing ...
"Land of my Fathers".

Helping charities

From Mr James G. L. Jackson Sir. Miss Edna Smith (December --17) will be glad to know that the I introduction of Christmas cards produced and sold by charities led to the formation of The 1959? Group of Charities by 20 national associations concerned with medical research and the welfare of ". handicapped persons.

Since 1959 the Group has annually been responsible for the temporary opening of charity Christmas card shops around the country, with the administrative. costs being shared by the participating societies.

The limitation, for practical purposes, to medically-oriented charities led to the later forms in the later charities led to the later formation of other groups incorporating many non-medical organisations. lam, Sir, yours faithfully, JAMES G. L. JACKSON'S (Founder Chairman, The 1959) Group of Charities). As from: Beacons, Northbrook Avenue,

Winchester, Hampshire. From Mrs Pamela Jenkins Sir. Many of our local shops which advertise "pocket money toys" have changed their labels (on shelves within the easy reach of children) to "stocking fillers".

Do the managers of these shops -assume that only non-readers believe in Father Christmas or, as .. my son believes, does Santa now shop in the High Street?
Yours faithfully, PAMELA JENKINS. 10 Riselaw Crescent. Edinburgh.



COURT AND SOCIAL

Appointments

Mr J.W. Hepburn to be Direc-

Other appointments include: Rear Admiral K.A. Snow to be

Receiver General and Chapter

Clerk, Westminster Ahbey, from March 26, 1987. He suc-ceeds Mr W.R.J. Pullen, who is

Sir John Knox, QC, to be

Deputy Chairman of the Par-

liamentary Boundary Commis-sion for England. He succeeds Sir Raymond Walton.

The Rev Jeremy Martineau to

be Chairman of Rural Voice, an

alliance of nine organisations including the Council for the Protection of Rural England and

the National Federation of Women's Institutes.

Dr R.A.S. Atwood, head of history, Repton School, to be Headmaster of Box Hill School,

Dorking, from next September

to Mr Hepburn.

retiring.

SOCIAL **NEWS**

The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food announce the following appointments, effective from December 24:
Mr G. Stapleton to be Chief Executive of the Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce, in succession to Mr A.K.H. A service on thanksgiving for the life of Mr Alastair Guthrie will take place at St Mary's Church, Bryanston Square, London, WI, on Thursday, January 8, 1987, at 11 am. A memorial service for Pauline lor of Establishments, in succession to Mr Stapleton.
Mr A.R. Cruickshank to be promoted to Under Secretary (Animal Health), in succession

Richard Dimbleby

11 am at Brompton Oratory.

Cancer Fund The trustees of The Richard Dimhleby Cancer Fund thank all those who supported Celebration of a Broadcaster, which appeared on BBC2 on Tuesday, December 16. Donations and legacies are always needed, and should be sent to The Richard Dimblebly Cancer Fund, 14 King Street, Rich-mond, Surrey.

Birthdays today

Lord Bancroft, 64; Mrs C. Bicknell, 67; Mr Archibald Black, 79; Lord Blake, 70; Vice-Admiral Sir Stephen Carlill, 84; Professor Sir Theodore Crawford, 75; Mr Maurice Denham, 77; Sir Colin Fielding, 60; Mr Christopher Lawrence, 50; Brigadier Sir Geoffrey Macnab, 87; Miss J. M. Quennell, 63; Herr Helmut

University news Cambridge

Election Mr Raymond Freeman, Aldrichian praelector in ehemistry. Oxford University, to the John Humphrey Plummer professorship of physics from July 1, 1987.

Dr Wendy Margarel Bennett has been appointed a fellow of Queens College from January 1.

Mr Maurice Meynell Scarr has the Leverhulme Centre for Mr Maurice Meynell Scarr has been appointed a fellow commoner of Queens' from that

the University College of Swan sea from next September.

sor of chemistry from next April. Dr Joyner is currently

Latest wills

Mr John Miehael Croft, of Kentish Town, London, founding director of the National Youth Theatre, left estate valued at £252,861 net. Among other bequests he left his nome (less any morteage) to the (less any mortgage) to the National Youth Theatre.

Mr George Richards, of Wincanton, Somerset. left £204,999 net. After bequests totalling £53,500 and effects he left the residue to the Injured Dr Louis Minski, of Cheam, Surrey, ehild psychiatrist, left £103,673 net.

Lord Braye, 7th Baron, of Stanford Hall, Leicestershire, deputy lieutenant of the county since 1954, left estate valued at

He succeeds Mr Roy McComish, who is retiring after 28 years as founder beadmaster. University, has been appointed to the chair of mathematics at

Dr B.J.T. Morgan, reader in statistics, to be professor of applied statistics from January

Innovative Catalysis and profes-Wales
Dr David Emrys Evans, reader in mathematics at Warwick

Wales
Dr David Emrys Evans, reader in mathematics at Warwick

Warwick

Centre, Sunbury-on-Thames,

> King's Lynn, Norfolk, left estate valued at £1,904,828 net. She left her property to relatives. Lillian May Bartlett, of Westbury on Trym, Bristol, Avon, left £381,669 net. After bequests totalling £9,000 she left the residue equally between the Sacred Heart Church, Westbury, and St Joseph's Home, Cotham, Bristol. Other estates include (net, be

fore tax paid): Chorley, Mrs Elsie Esme, Ferndown, Dorset £354,530 Edmeades, Major Richard Wil-Meopham, £633,625 of Gill, Mrs Nellie Marion, of

Spa, Yorkshire £483,924 Stamard, Mrs Doris Cardwell, of Cheltenham £343,441

Science report

Hormone's crucial role

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The hormone progesterone is described in the latest edition of *The New England Journal* of Medicine as unique in the role it plays in reproduction. Its presence is essential for a successful pregnancy, creating the ideal physiological conditions for a fertilised egg to become established in the uterus until the embryo is able to stimulate the secretion of this

In addition to the uterus, the breast and the brain are other target organs which respond to progesterone in the development of pregnancy. But understanding of its actions, and particalarly its influence on the central nervous system, is apparently very sketchy.

Indeed, the commentary in the medical journal suggests that the current level of knowledge of the hormone represents the minimal understanding of the mechanisms of this crucial molecule.

This view of the importance of progesterone is presented by Dr William Crowley, an endocrinologist at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, before his review of a controversial paper in the same issue of the journal. It contains results of trials with a pill for early termination of pregnancy, up to six to seven weeks after conception. Termination works by blocking progesterone.

The trials, involving 100 women, were done in France by doctors working with Dr Beatrice Couzinet at the Hopital de Bicetre, at Bicetre,

The Prince of Wales riding with the Quorn Hunt at Hickling Pastures in Nottinghamshire yesterday.

terone is described in In conjunction with Roussel, the pharmaceuti-

cal firm. The women were given a drug, a synthetic steroid called RU 486, during the first 10 days after their missed period. Complete abortions occurred in 85 per cent of the group and each case was the subject of close medical scrutiny and follow-up. Dr Crowley says: "The medical and social implications of this major advance

are equally important".

He draws attention to the fact that RU 486, or mifepristone, was first used in research to find out more about progesterone because it is an antagonist to the hormone, or in other words, it blocks its action.

While Dr Crowley believes RU 486 offers "important new avenues of research" for gaining insight into infertility, he is less certain about the use of such compounds for termination of pregnancy. He says:"It will at once provide new options, yet force further difficult choices on to a society already bitterly divided

about medical termination of pregnancy".

He adds:"A grim footnote emerges from the report of Dr Couzinet and puts this agonizing social issue in sharper relief".

One of the women in the French trial had an abortion, experienced restoration of her normal cycle, and returned with a second unwanted pregnancy to participate in the study

Source: The New England Journal of Medicine, Vol 315, p 1565, 1986.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr T.D.N. Argent and Miss S.J. Seymour The engagement is announced between Nicholas, younger son of Mr and Mrs T.H. Argent, of Staplefield, Sussex, and Jane, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.F. Seymour, of Lidgate, New-market, Suffolk. market, Suffolk.

Mr S.T. Ayres and Miss S.C. Kemp The engagement is announced between Stephen, only son of Mr and Mrs John Ayres, of Paignton, Devon, and Steph-anie, elder daughter of Mr Raymond Kemp, of Haslemere, Surrey, and Mrs Robert Orrin, of Farnborough, Hampshire.

Mr C.R. Chope and Miss C.M. Hatchinson The engagement is announced between Christopher, only son of His Honour and Mrs Robert Chope, of Carclew, Truro, Corn-wall, and Christine, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Hutchinson, of Chipperfield Common, Hertfordshire.

Mr T.M. Clayton and Miss R. Dunthorne

The engagement is announced between Timothy Mark, son of Mr and Mrs D.M. Clayton, of Wimhledon, London, and Re-becca, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.J. Dunthorne, of Ely, Cambridgeshire.

Mr P.M. Collin and Miss P.J. Williams The engagement is announced between Paul, second son of Mr and Mrs W.A. Collin, of Maidenhead, Berkshire, and Phillippa, only daughter of Dr and Mrs J.G.P. Williams, of Bourne End, Buckinghamshire.

Mr A.N.B. Dallas

and Miss J.R. Hitchings The engagement is announced K.B. Dallas, of Parsons Green. London, and Mrs A. Dallas, of Shepperton, Surrey, and Julia, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.W. Hitchings, of South Godstone. Surrey.

Dr A.G. Goodman

and Ms S.M. Whisker The engagement is announced between Andrew, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Edward Goodman, of Knowle, West Midlands, and Sharon, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Yoxall, of Co Antrim, Northern Ireland.

and Miss D.S. Jones

The engagement is announced between Stephen, elder son of Mr and Mrs Michael Jackson, of Hawkwell, Essex, Diana, daugh-ter of Mr and Mrs Lewis Jones, of Sutton Coldfield.

Mr A.P. McC. Nightingale and Miss F.M. McCulloch The engagement is announced between Alexander, younger son of Mr and Mrs Michael Nightingale, of Cromarty, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian McCulloch, of Inverness.

Captain R.R.P. Prichard and Miss C.A. Slessor
The engagement is announced
between Rupert Rowland Playfair Prichard, The Para chute Regiment, son of Mr and Mrs F.H. Prichard, of Oxford, and Catherine Ann, daughter of Group Captain and Mrs J.A.C. Slessor, of Burkham, Alton.

Mr M.J.P. Sanders Mr M.J.P. Sanders
and Miss V.C. Withers
The engagement is announced
between Michael, son of the Rev
G.L. and Mrs Sanders, of Great
Waltham, Essex, and Verity,
eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs
R.G. Withers, of Kings Norton,
Birmingham.

Marriages Professor M.D.I. Chisholm and Mrs J.C. Shackleton The marriage took place in Cambridge, on Saturday, December 13, of Professor Michael Chisholm and Mrs Judith Shackleton (née Murray).

Mr A. Jardine and Miss S.J.C. Crocker The marriage took place on Thursday, December 11, in Blackhurn, between Mr Alex Jardine and Miss Sarah Crocker.

Mr R.A. Knox and Miss A.L. Stafford Charles The marriage took place on December 13, 1986, at Christ Church, Chelsea, between Mr Robert Knox, The Royal Anglian Regiment, only son of Mr and Mrs T.C.S. Knox, and Miss Lucy Stafford Charles, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs M.J. Stafford Charles. The Rev Niall Weir officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Andrew and Lucy Houchin and Miss Finella Stafford Charles. Mr Steven Langley

A reception was held at the Naval and Military Club and the honeymoon is being spent in Kenya.

OBITUARY

MR DAVID PENHALIGON Liberal politician of good sense, charm and promise

Mr David Penhaligon, Liberal MP for Truro, who was killed yesterday in a motor accident at the age of 42, was one of the most attractive and promising among the younger figures in British politics. From a county base to which he remained loyal, and which he consolidated, he grew into a national figure with an increasing grasp of national problems.

His style was delightfully fresh, humorons and unpompous. In Parliament he was very well liked, and was gaining stature, but it was outside Parliament that be was most effective as a spokesman. Above all, he excelled on radio and television, and his cheerful, sensible, down-toearth commeons will missed by millions.

His death is a cruel loss to the Liberal Party and the Alliance, whose cause he represented as persuasively as anyone, and more persuasively than most.

David Charles Penhaligon was born on June 6, 1944, D-Day, and educated at Truro School and Cornwall Technical College. His family background was

apolitical, but he developed radical instincts while quite young. This may have been something to do with what he saw of the socially deprived families who formed a proportion of the tenants of the caravan site his father owned on the outskirts of Truro. In any event, he was an early recruit to the Liberal ranks, joining the Young Lib-erals while still at school.

There he was not greatly noted, except for an affable nature. A place whose school-boy general elections always had the Cornish Nationalist candidate far ahead of the Liberals, for the pickings left by the two major parties, offered little scope for his germinating political talent.

At Cornwall Technical College he took his diploma in engineering, and in 1962 joined the firm of Holman Bros in Camborne. There he was head of a research and development department.

He and his wife lived above the village post office at Chacewater, where she was sub-postmistress. He did not attempt to become a local councillor, but always had his eye on Parliament and worked hard to build up the Truro constituency party.

His first attempt was in 1970 at Tomes, South Devon, where he trailed Conservative and Labour. Next he contested Truro in the first of the general elections of 1974. when a supposedly safe Conservative eluded his grasp by 2,561 votes. At the second time his plea was not heeded, daughter.



election of that year, in October, he won it by 464 votes. During his first Parliament

he showed a marked lack of enthusiasm for the Lib-Lab pact and in 1978 singlehandedly delayed a bill pro-moted by Mr Benn and the Energy Department to reorga-nize the electricity supply system, pleading the necessity to be absent from the House because his daughter was up

from the country. He acted as Liberal Parliamentary spokesman on employment from 1976 to 1981. When the Bullock Report on industrial democracy was published in 1977 he strongly opposed the idea that directors should be elected by trade

union members only.

From the first he gave proof of being an excellent constituency Member, never missing an opportunity to champion local interests. In the 1979 election he was rewarded by converting his slender initial majority into one of 8,708.

At the 1980 Liberal Assembly at Blackpool he spoke against a proposal that the party should go for a non-nuclear defence policy. He asked those supporting it if they wanted no nuclear capacity on British soil, and when they replied "yes" asked them the further question, did they want the United States to have none as well? When they again chanted "yes", he commented "Then you are advocating

surrender". His intervention undouhtedly helped to swing the vote against the nonnuclear proposal. The following year, at Llan-

dudno, he spoke against a motion opposing the siting of cruise missiles in Britain.
Professor E. P. Thompson
was, he said, disappointed that
the Russians had not stopped installing SS20s, because, if they had, the British and American governments could Almanack of which he had 50 have been persuaded not to have cruise. "I am sure he is day to possess the complete right", said Penhaligon," but set. they haven't stopped installing them. Don't vote for this nette Lidgey. She survives

hul the comment was typical

of his common sense. The SDP was oow in being and Penhaligon always favoured the Alliance, while insisting that the just interests of the Liberal Party should be upheld. As one of the "firemen" appointed to handle the sensitive issue of seats allocation, he showed the right combination of firmness and

diplomacy. In the 1979 Parliament he was Liberal spokesman, first on energy, later on industry. At the 1983 election he was returned with a five-figure majority (10,480). He had apparently, transformed a marginal into a safe seat.

Early in the present Parliament he argued that the Alliance parties should merge and that a leader should be elected by the joint membership. As employment spokesman again, he opposed the Government's decision to ban unions at GCHQ, while warning Liberals against opposing the laws on secondary picketing, on which he thought the Government had been right to legislate.

Appointed the Liberals' Parliamentary spokesman on Treasury matters in 1985, he had much to learn and characteristically did not pretend to a financial expertise that be did not possess. But he was learning fast, and showed his sense of responsibility in pointing out last month, with his SDP opposite number, Mr lan Wrigglesworth, that the Alliance's current commitments were running £5 billion ahead of the cash available.

During the year September 1985 - September 1986 he was president of the Liberal Party, and as such presided over the disastrous Eastbourne Assembly at which the leadership's defence policy, agreed with the SDP, was rejected. He did not himself speak in the defence debate, and regretted afterwards that he had not intervened. His voice might conceivably have turned the scale, as it had done in 1980, though not in 1981.

Penhaligon was brought up in the Church of England, of which he remained a faithful, though relaxed, member. Despite his conviviality of spirit, he was a teetotaller.

He spoke a little Cornish. though no non-British language, and did not travel much abroad. His reading was largely confined to political books and papers. He was an avid collector of Whitaker's or 60 volumes and hoped one

He married, in 1968, Anmotion until they do". This him with their son and

MR COLIN MACKENZIE

Mr Colin Mackenzie, CMG, LLD, scholar, aesthete, soldier and industrialist, died on December 21. He was 88. Colin Hercules Mackenzie was born on October 5, 1898.

He was educated at Eton and King's College, Cambridge, where he was senior scholar, got a first in Economics, and won the Chancellor's Medal for English Verse.

During the First World War he served with the Scots Guards in France and suffered a serious wound, resulting in amputation of his left leg from the hip. His business career was

with the Glasgow cotton firm of J & P Coats, which he joined as their first graduate trainee. By his early twenties he was on the board, where his outstanding intelligence made him effective in debate, and where he also showed a capacity for taking decisions.

In his wide travels for the company - with which he remained, apart from war service, until his retirement in 958 - he became convinced that world markets could not be supplied satisfactorily from Britain alone. His greatest business achievement was to bring a sometimes reluctant board to share his belief, and the Coats mills overseas, particularly those in Asia and South America, are a lasting tribute to his flair.

His record during the Secood World War, though very little known, was of real importance. When SOE decided that a separate operational unit should be set up in India, the Viceroy, Lord Linlithgow, who had been a fellow director on the Coats board, suggested that Mackenzie should be given command.

The new unit, called Force 136, developed rapidly as it established political, economic and military missions in the five countries of South-East Asia Command.

Its contribution in the Burma campaign was, in one instance, vital. In the Sittang valley the lives of about 2,000 men were saved by the action of Force 136 guerrillas in preventing the Japanese from reaching Toungoo before the British 14th Army. Mackenzie was the mainspring of that preventive action, for without his efforts the guerrilla force would never have existed.

The Colonial governmentin-exile had managed to per-suade General Oliver Leese, commander of all land forces in SEAC, to ban the issue of arms to anyone associated

with the Burmese nationalist movement. Mackenzie would not accept the order. The unarmed Karens had suffered murderous reprisals by the Japanese the previous year for helping Force 136 agents, and Mackenzie told Mountbatten, the supreme commander, that to deny arms, even for selfdefence, to the Burmese partisans was to condemn them to

death. Mountbatten overruled Leese's order, men and arms were dropped, and the ensuing operation held the Japanese 15th division for ten days while British troops captured Tonngoo for the loss of some 60 men, though Mountbatten

had thought the price of its capture might be 3,000 lives. After his retirement from Coats Mackenzie was chairman of the Scottish committee of the Arts Council from 1962 to 1970.

In this post he used his business acumen and diplomatic skill to win for Scotland a proper share of the national allocation of funds for the arts. On his personal initiative the Western Theatre Ballet was brought to Scotland to become

Scottish Ballet Company.
During his chairmanship the Scottish arts committee was reconstituted as the Scottish Arts Council - further evidence of his success in raising the profile of the arts in Scotland. In 1970 he was awarded an hon LLD hy St Andrews.

All his life he was a collector, more especially of books and pictures. He praised and bought works by such artists as Duncan Grant and Max Ernst before they became famons

In 1972 he and his wife left their house in Edinhurgh, which had belonged to Robert Louis Stevenson, and moved to Skye. There, at Kyle House, his azaleas and rhododendrons were a great attraction. The garden was regularly open to the public, and gardening enthusiasts flocked to it from all over the world.

He also continued to entertain, in his old age, a varied host of friends, including artists and writers of the younger generation, who will miss his rare hlend of intellect, charm and integrity. He is survived by his wife,

the now highly successful Clodagh, and their daughter.

BILL SIMPSON

Bill Simpson, who played the character as he became Casebook, died on December 21, at the age of 54.

He was an actor who had the fortune to achieve perfect casting and national fame in one particular role, and the misfortune to be known almost entirely for that. His career before and after Dr Finlay was inevitably overshadowed.

Based on the stories hy A. J. Cronin, Dr Finlay's Casebook was set in a small Scottish town in the 1920s. It drew its dramatic resonance from the interplay between Bill Simpson's young, impetuous Finlay and his older, worldlywise colleague, Dr Cameron, played by Andrew Cruik-

Janet Mullen's kindly but shrewd housekeeper completed a strong trio and the series won the accolade of the "clean-up" campaigner, Mrs Mary Whitehouse, as being a fine example of wholesome family viewing.

Simpson played the part in more than 200 episodes throughout the nine-year run of the series from 1962, cleverly suggesting the mellowing of divorce in 1980.

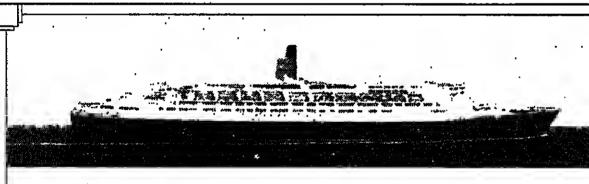
Dr Finlay in the popular older and greyer. He played it relevision series, Dr Finlay's for several more years when for several more years when Dr Finlay transferred to radio. He was born in Dunure, a

fishing village in Ayrshire, studied drama in Glasgow and started his professional career with the Edinburgh Gateway Theatre. For two years he was an announcer on Scottish Television. After Dr Finlay finished,

Simpson went into a West End musical, Romance, but it closed after only five days. On television he played a veterinary surgeon in The McKinnons and a secret agent in the thriller series. Scotch on the Rocks, but neither was particularly successful.

On stage he appeared regularly in Christmas pantomimes and spent two years playing the Open University professor in a touring production of Willy Russell's Educating Rita.

In later years Simpson's private life tended to hit the headlines more often than his acting. His first marriage, to the actress Mary Miller, was dissolved. He then married another actress. Tracy Reed. by whom he had two daughters. This marriage ended in



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BIRTHS

and Mike. a daughter. Joanna Cresiina.

Miki.WaRD. On Decomber 18th at Princess Margaret. Windsor, to Peter and Mandy. a daughter Abby Olivia, a stater for Sophie.

OAKLEY - On Saturday 20th December at John Raddiffe Hostpital. Oxford, to Sylvia and Martin. a son. Edmund Raiph.

PARSONS-SMITH On December 21st. to Carotine. Ineé Newman) and Nicholas, a son. William Edward.

SHAW - On December 19th, at Plymouth, to John and Selina, a son. James John Longsdon, brother to Sophie, Lucy, and Robert.

SUTHERLAND - On December 14th, in Seria, Brunel, to George and Jame, a son. James George Ogitvic, a brother for Kirsty and half brother for Gall and Shona.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

MACAULAY - Mac and Peg. married on 23/12/36. Many congratulations and our fond love, Pat. Andrew, Alasdair, Miranda and Damien.

DEATHS

BARRETT On December 20th 1986, peacefully. Anne Mainwaring, at Clarence Nursing Home. Tumbridge Wells. Dearest Ma to Gay and Sandy, and Granny to Piers and Jenny. Fu-neral private. Thankspiving and memorial service so Sunday Febru-ary 8th at 11 am. at SI Marys. Church. Ticehursi. No flowers by re-quest, but donations if desired to the National Trust. BECNFORD - On Friday December

National Trus.

BECNFORD - On Friday December 19th 1986, peacefully at The Mount. Wargrave, Berkshire, Affred James, aged 92 years, (late barber of Wargrave). Funeral private, Memorial Service at Saint Marry's Church. Wargrave at Jam Friday 16th January 1987. No flowers or letters please, but donations of desired to The Royal British Legion, Wargrave, Branch, Herons Creek, Station Road, Wargrave.

Wargrave,
CADLE: On December 21st, peacefully at her home, Park Bungalow,
Burleigh, Strout, Glos, Catherine
Ethel Mary, aged 88 years, Funeral
serivce at Minchintampton Parish
Church, Glos, on Wednesday 24th
December at 12.30 pm followed by
interment.
CKAMPNESS: On December 19th,
Charles Gordon, in his 84th year, at
the Ealon Gardens Nursing Home,
Hove, Much loved by his family.
COBB: On December 19, suddenly at

COZB - On December 19, suddenly at his home at Cacimas, near Lisbon, John, aged 66, dearty lowed by his family and friends. The funeral took place at St George's, Lisbon, on De-cember 21, 1986.

HARRIS - On December 20th, Mario-rie, deeply beloved wife of Ronald, dearly loved mother of Imagen and

Richard, Celta and Ian, Jocelin and Cherry, Ohvia, and Edith and Colin, and much loved grandmother, sister, auni, and friend, Funeral at Si Mary's Church, Sloke d'Abernon on Wednesday December 24th at 2.3C pm. No flowers by request.

HALES - On 20th December 1996 peacefully. The Reverand George Frederick M.C. aged 85 years, for merly Sentor Chaosin to the Airborn's Forces. Funeral service at Greens Horton Perish Church, on Wednesday, 24th December at 12,30pm Family flowers unly, donations if desired. In aid of Greens Norton Caurch or Airborne Forces Security Fund. Browning Barracks, Aidershot, Hants, Any enquiries John ward & Son Funeral Directors on O604-830438.

HORTON On December 20th 1986, peacefully in hospital, Leonard Waiter, dearly loved husband of Joan and falher of Geoffrey, Cremation at Canford Crematorium, Bristol at 10.40 am Montasy December 29th, Family flowers only, donations if desired to Southmend Leukasmis, Research Fund, c/o Thomas Davis, Funeral Directors Lid, 111 Whileiadies Road, Cistion, Bristol 888 298.

1855ENLIS On December 20th, at his home in Burkord, after lines's most courageously borne. Alexander is Sandy) Reginald, most dearly loved husband of Mary and belowed father of Jane and Susan, Private funeral at Oxiond Crematorium December 24th at 1.45. Flowers may be sent to E Taylor & Sona, Chapel at Rest. Corbeit Road, Carierton, Oxfon, Lintends - On December 21st, Mail thew Matty Mackinson Linning O.B.E., C.B.E. Off Industrial Consultant. Dearty belowed by family and friends, Funeral Service on Wednesday 2 (2012) United Arab Emirales, to Jane (nee Nini and Ian. a daughter. Reberca Jane.

BURDEN - On December 20. at Dorchester, to Jacky (nee Rosundell) and Richard, a daughter, Elizabeth Rose.

CADMAN - On September 2nd 1986, at Somerleigh Court. Dorchester. Dorsel, to Coralyn mée Warey and John. a daughter. Alexandria Coralyn.

FRANKE - On December 20th. at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hosphal, in Melanie tine Grandage; and John. a daughter. Sarah

FURSDON - On 19th December, to Catriona and David, of Fursdon, a son. Charles McCreath.

MAYNES — On December 21st to Georgina ineé Lee; and Nigel, a daughter. Laura Alice.

MOBHOUSE - On December 18th. at St Thomas', to Juita and Martin. a eon. Alexander, a brother for Hugh.

SOMES - On December 15th, at Queen Charloffe's Hospital, to Marion Inée Sephtoni and David, a eon. Charles David, a brother for Henry and Katie MARTIN - On 20th December, to Linda and Mike. a daughter, I Joanna Crestina.

O.B.E., C.B.E., Oll Industrial Consultant. Dearty beloved by family and friends. Funeral Service on Wednesday 24th December at 10 am at the West Church, Burmank Road, Hamilton, Scotland, Funeral thereafter to West Cernetery, Wellhall Road, Hamilton arriving approx at 10.30 am.

LOEWENTHAL On December 20th. Dr Hans Loewenthal, FRC Path., peacefully at N. London Nutrited Hospital, Enfield, aged 87 years, beloved husband of the, now of Heinrich Staht House, Bishop's Ave. N2. Loving father of Susan and Evelyn, devoted grandfather of Peter, Margaret, Catherine and Marilyn, great grandfather of Danlel, Private funeral has been held.

MACKENEZE On December 21st. peacefully at home in his 89th year.

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Colin Hercules beloved hisband of Clodagh. Cremation private. Memorial Service to be held in Skye inter.

MEDOLETON - On December 20th. in hospital after a long fliness. Susan, dear wife of Basil and mother of Philippa and Julia. Augister of Reid and Betty Sharman. Private funeral 29th December, Family flowers only: donations if desired to King Edward V11 Hospital. Beaumont St. W1.

MOSS - On December 16th 1996. at The Royal Marsden Hospital, London, peacefully after a long and brave fight, Patsy, aged 64, the dearly lowed wife of Richard and sadily missed by her mother, brothers and staters. Requirem Mass at St. Joseph's Church. Highgale Hill on Monday 29th December at 12.48 pm, (oliowed by private burial.

MICHOLLS - On December 20th, peacefully. Dennis of Cobham, Funeral service. Monday 29th December at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead at 11.50. Family flowers, or donations if desired to charity, PLATT - On December 20th 1986, sud-

Flowers, or donations if desired to charity,
PLATT - On December 20th 1986, suddenly Sir Harry Platt St., aged 100 years, beloved father of Honor, Lindsey, Rosemary, Margaret and Disna. Service at Prestbury Parish Church followed by private Interment at Alderley Edge Cemetery.

PUGHE: On December 19th, pencefully at the age of 106, Miss May E. Pughe, sister of the late Revd Joseph Evans-Pughe, Fondly remembered by her nephews. John and the Revd Torn G. Evans-Pughe and their families. Funeral 12 noon Wednesday 24th December at Holy Trinity, Aberystwyth.

SHITH On December 20 1986, as a result of a traffic accident, Nicola Sally (Nicky), goed 25, the dearty beloved daughter of Pat and Ray Smith of Royston, Herts, Sister of Carola and beloved grandsughter of Baba Hawkins of Tring. An Irreplaceable lost, Funeral arrangements later, All enquirus please to Cecil Newton, Funeral Intercor. Tel: Royston (0763) 43048,

43048, WHITEHORN On December 18th 1986, peacefully in hospital after a short illness, Ernest, Colonel, late Royal Engineers, much loved husband of Duice (Dollar) and dear father of Jean, Patricia Burgess, Andrew and Gillian Curnow.

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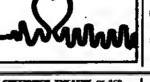
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By Nicholas Wood, Political Reporter

Government's main environmental priority, Mr John Pat-ten, Minister for Housing, said sale of the assets of the eight remaining new towns.

Ministers hope to raise £2 and commercial properties towns could be involved.

and sites held by the surviving "We also believe that the new town corporations.

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Mr Patten said: "The new concentrate our attention and our resources on the older

That is exactly what the Secretary of State for the Environment, Nicholas Rid-ley, is doing through the establishment of the four new town urban development corporations, to join those and allowed to ballot on their already established at London new landlords.

Docklands and Merseyside."

Local authorities, which

moves to revive the private rented market by stopping the automatic transfer of about 60,000 houses to district coun-

Revitalizing run-down in- erties alongside councils ner city areas is now the where tenants choose not to exercise their right to buy.

"The Government sees this as an opportunity to develop yesterday as he announced the our policy of diversifying tenures in large housing estates and giving tenants more opportunity of having some billion for the privatization say in the way their estates are programme and eventual tax run. Many of the 60,000 cuts by disposing of the houses rented homes in the new

attraction of the substantial The first to go will be expertise and financial rePeterborough and by April
1992 Milton Keynes, Warrington, Runcorn, Telford, quality and diversify the nature of the rented housing

Mr Simon Hughes, the towns have played an invalu- Liberal housing spokesman, able part in the post-War condemned the plan to chandevelopment of England. But nel the cash raised into tax our priorities now must be to cuts, insisting it should be switched to housing accounts to bolster the renewal and renovation of the housing stock - now in need of repairs costing £20 billion.
But he was not opposed to

the scheme in principle so long as tenants were fully informed of all the options Local authorities, which

As predicted. Mr Patten had planned their policies on linked the sales with new the assumption they would become the owners, should also be given every opportunity to put their cas

Mr John Cartwright, SDP

cils when the corporations are wound up. Housing associations and private sector trusts will be invited to bid for the prop-**'hijacked** in Rome' **Runcie reservations** Continued from page 1 about Aids campaign

The Archbishop of Canterbury said last night he had reservations about aspects of the Government's explicit advertising campaign against Aids specialist, said: "For compact the property of t

Government had a duty to Archbishop had come to visit warn the public but he did not them." give unqualified approval to the "Don't Die of Ignorance, Use a Condom" posters.

Dr Runcie said that the Christian response to Aids sufferers should not be

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some of the patients, it was Speaking after visiting term- very emotional. There was inallyill patients at an Aids enormous gratitude that somclinic in London, be said the cone as well known as the

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Dr Robert Runcie said: "clouded by fear, self-right"I have reservations about coursess or panic". "In talksome parts of the Governing about remedies, Christians

Vanunu

papers yesterday carried the photograph of Mr Vanunu holding up his hand, but the words had to be painted out before publication was

By mid-afternoon, however, sraeli radio was reporting that The London Standard had published the story of what had happened along with details of the message on the hand. At that point the censor gave up and released the story.

The brief message still does not explain bow Mr Vanunu was persuaded to leave Britain, where he would have been safer from capture by Israeli agents. It still seems likely that he was lured out of the country by a blonde girl called "Cindy" who be-Virus rampant, page 3 friended him in London.

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position".
Miss Stanier said that riding Burmese was extremely comfortable. "It is like sitting in an armchair. You do not feel her feet moving. I don't think we knew when we took her over from the Mounties that we had such a gem".

The Queen first rode sidesaddle at the trooping of the colour in 1947, when as Princess Elizabeth she joined in her father's birthday pa-rade. In 1951 she took the salute for her father, and since then has ridden side-saddle at every parade, and in every year except 1955, when the trooping was cancelled because of a rail strike.

Each year, though, the Queen has to undertake timeconsuming practice for the birthday parade, which is the only occasion when she rides side-saddle and not astride. Starting again with a new sidesaddle horse would be considerably more demanding, and that, the Palace says, has been an important factor in the

Sgt Robin Porter and Burmese in festive mood yesterday (Photograph: Peter Trievnor) Queen's decision to go by

carriage in future. Miss Stanier said: "The immediately had a rapport with Burmese and I think this is why she is besitant to start out on another horse. Her Majesty and Burmese have been partners over the past 18 years and have had such a very fine partnership ___ the longest partnership between borse and rider for that sort of

Miss Stanier said that she would not like to train a horse to succeed Burmese in less than four years.

The change may slightly ease the security headache which has been a worrying feature of the birthday parades since 1981, when Marcus Sarjeant, then aged 17, fired six blank shots from a pistol as the Queen rode along.

Burmese, who works with the Metropolitan Police between state occasions, reacted well to the explosions, and the Queen kept ber precarious seat without much apparent difficulty. Sarjeant was jailed for five years.



The Queen in uniform and with a mourning band for the Dake of Windsor, riding side-saddle on Burmese in 1972.

Concern at costs of policing football

to meet the League next month to discuss its

proposals. If the League fails to introduce 100 per cent membership schemes, then the Government is ready to introduce its own legislation in this Parliamentary year. The League clubs are against compulsory membership as a condition for admission to grounds because they know this will eliminate the casual spectator, so cutting attendances.

According to the latest League figures, out of a total of 541 matches this season there have been only 543 arrests inside grounds.

Each week between 600 and 800 Metropolitan officers are on duty every weekend al-though the number rose to 950 on October II when there were three London derby games.

Many of the problems are caused by the "cross-flow of football commuters" in venues like Covent Garden and the Euston Station complex. To cope with such emergencies, a mobile reserve of between 60 and 100 officers has been established which waits in vans in the vicinity of likely trouble spots but can be quickly diverted elsewhere.

The 2,000-strong British

Transport Police, who are responsible to the Department of Transport and not the Home Office, have not been asked to carry out a similar costing survey. But, says Mr Ian McGregor, the Assistant Chief Constable at Operations, "All I can say is that it is quite a substantial part of our

On an ordinary Saturday the British Transport Police allocate 200 officers for duty with football fans. Some will have to work an 18-hour day if they have to accompany supporters right across the

For an England versus Scotland game at Wembley, there could be 500 on duty, many of whom would travel with Scot-

On days when football is being played, one officer from the London Underground and one from British Railways work at the Operation Centre at Scotland Yard. Assistant Chief Constable McGregor says: "Because of the success of liaison and because the clubs have been most cooperative, the trouble now seems to be moving to minibuses and other forms of unsupervised transport." Six bailed after death, page 5

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House Craft Gallery, Gawthorpe Hall, Padiham, near Burnley; 10 to 5.

The British School at Athens:

A Hundred Years of Discovery; Lower Corridor, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, 10 to 2.

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Librai Guildford Lawn; 9.30 to 6. Christmas Exhibition; The

Wykeham Galleries, Stockbridge; 10 to 5. Christmas Exhibition; Dower House Gallery, t08 High St, Berkhamsted; 10 to 5.

Christmas Exhibition; Phoenix Gallery, Lavenbass; 10 to 1.
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6 Send the man with the stop

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watch up (5).

Five Years with The Face; the Ages, Collins Gallery, Strathclyde University, R mond St, Glasgow; 10 to 5. Music

Concert by the Chester Music Society Choir and City of Ches-ter Brass Band, Chester Cathe-dral, 7.30. Carol Service, Cathedral, 6.30.

Turkey preparation

To avoid food poisoning it is necessary to completely thaw frozen poultry before conking. The frozen bird should be placed in a cool room or fridge and covered. A 10ib turkey needs at least 24 hours to thaw at room temperature, and longer in a fridge. Remember to re-move the giblets.

Wash your hands thoroughly after touching uncooked poultry and dispose of the thawed liquid, preventing it contaminating other food,

Postal services

There will be one letter and one parcel delivery tomprow will be around tunchtime. Deliveries and collections will resume an December 29 but will not operate on New Year's Day. Post Offices in England and Wales will close at 12,30 pm tomprrow and at 4 pm in Scotland, opening again on December 29. They will be closed on New Year's Day and also on January 2 in Scotland.

Country walks

Countryside walkers have the choice of more than 120,000 miles of public paths in Britain and trespass can be avoided by keeping to the paths, which may be marked on Ordnance Survey

Gates and stiles should be used wherever possible as damaged hedges, fences or walls may create a gap through which livestock can escape, and can be expensive to repair.

The pound

Books - novels of the year

TV top ten

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Mouse On the Moon 4.50m Star Trek 4.25m

y figures for audiences at peak (with figures in parenthesis ing the reach - the number of people ed for at least three mir 1.1m (5.8m) TV-am: Good Marning Britain Mon to Pri 2.7m (10.8m) Sat 2.8m (7.1m) Sun 2.3m

Anniversaries

(Mormons), 1805. Deaths: Thomas Robert Mai-thus, economist, 1834; Edward Lindley Wood, 1st Earl of Halifax, statesman, 1959.

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Books — fiction

The Literary Editor's selection of novels of the year:
An Artist of the Floeting World, by Kazuo Ishiguro (Faber, £8.95)
Dr Gruber's Daughter, by Janice Elitott (Hodder & Stoughton, £9.95)
Gabriel's Lament, by Paul Balley (Cape, £9.95)
If Not Now, When?, by Primo Levi (Michael Joseph, £10.95)
Innocence, by Penelope Fitzgerald (Collins, £9.95)
Roger's Version, by John Updike (André Deutsch, £9.95)
Staring at the Sun, by Julian Barnes (Cape, £9.95)
The Old Devils, by Kingsley Amis (Hutchinson, £9.95)
The Real Life of Alejandro Mayta, by Marin Varges Liosa (Faber, £9.95)
What's Bred in the Bone, by Robertson Davies (Viking, £9.95)

Roads

Victoria Wood - As Seen On TV 6.30m
All Passion Spent 6.25m
Heart Like A Wheel 5.85m
Food and Drink 5.10m
No Limits (Tues/Sun) 5.00m
Cool it 4.75m
Entertainment USA 4.65m
Richard Clayderman in London
4.60m
Mouse On the Moon 4.50m

Channel 4
Brookside (Tues/Sat) 9.85m
Brookside (Mon/Sat) 6.25m
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Countdown (Thurs) 3.70m
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Broadcasters' Audience Research Boan

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London and the South-east: A305: Single line traffic from Briar Rd to First Cross Rd, Twickenham, A407: Single line traffic with stop/go boards at junction of Willesden High Rd and Beaconsfield Rd. A30: Delays between 9.00 am and 4.30 pm at London Rd and Station Rd, Hook. The Midlands: MS: North-

bound entry slip road at junction 6 (Warndon), Hereford and Worcester, reopened, A456: Delays likely to continue until Christmas Evc. al Bewdley bycass. Al: Lane closures W of St Neots at Eaton Socon,

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Delays between Exeter and Plymouth due to lane closures in both directions at the top of Haldon Hill. A38/A358: Work on roundabout at junction 25 (M5) link road, Taunton. A48: Inside lane closed E and west-bound on M4 (junction 44) to Port Talbot due to roadworks from Lon-Las to Earlswood.

Scotland: M8: E and westbound lane closures between junctions 29 (St James interchange) and junction 26 (Hillington). Glasgow: Inside lane closures at Crookston Rd and Brockburn Rd, towards Paisley Rd W. A198: Tem-porary lights at Meadowhill near francut.
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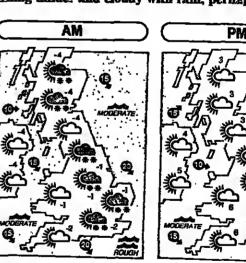
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land, Wales, NW England, N Ireland and W Scotland will be dry and fairly sunny although N Ireland and NW Scotland will cloud over later with perhaps some rain. London, SE and central southern and the Midlands will be mainly dry and bright with some sunshine but still the chance of a few snow showers especially in Kent. E Anglia, NE England, E Scotland and Orkney and Shetland will have a little sunshine at times but there will be snow showers as well. the snow settling particularly on hills. It will be a cold day everywhere. Outlook for tomorrow and Thursday: Turning milder and cloudy with rain, perhaps preceded



LIGHTING-UP TIME Edinburgh 4.11 pm to 8.13 am er 4.22 pm to 7.54 am Penzance 4.53 pm to 7.50 am LONDON

Moon sets 11.52 am YESTERDAY

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Executive Editor

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Yule Catto

fleshes out

£17m bid

chemicals, specialist huilding products and plantations business, yesterday published its offer document for Barrow

Hepburn the industrial hold-

ing company which is chaired hy Professor Roland Smith.

Yule Catto announced a £17.3 millinn bid nn Decem-

ber 12 which was rejected by the Barrow Hepburn board. It

is bidding one new convertible

preference share nf 100p plus 108p in cash for every four

Barrow Hepburn shares. This values the bid at 52p a share.

Interim pretax profits nf G M Firth (Holdings) in the half year to September 30 leapt by 34 per cent to £1.4 milling ng

turnnver up 19 per cent to £28 million. The dividend is raised by 0.05p to 0.5p net.

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Profits slump

Interim pretax profits at

slumped 8 per cent to £4.6

million nn turnnver up 55 per

cent to £39 millinn for the six

mnnths in September 30. The net dividend of 2.5p was

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£4.1 million management huy-out of James Croshy, a

leading hnusehuilder in the

Nnrth-west. Midland Bank is

providing debt finance of about £3.1 million.

Business chief

Dr Theophiln de Azeredo

Santos of Brazil has been elected president of the Inter-

natinnal Chamber of Com-

merce for next year and 1988.

Mr Peter Wallenberg of Swe-

Cadbury Schweppes Austra-lia, is selling its 40 per cent

shareholding in Oasis Industries in New Zealand to ID
Nathan for NZ\$26 millinn
(£9.3 million).

Panfida Capital, a subsid-

iary of the Sydney-based investment group Panfida Ltd, has made a £55 million

hid for "Investing in Success" Equities, the British invest-

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TUESDAY DECEMBER 23 1986

Brent touches \$18 a barrel

Crude oil price starts to climb

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

In addition most Western

governments used the excuse

of cheaper crude oil to raise

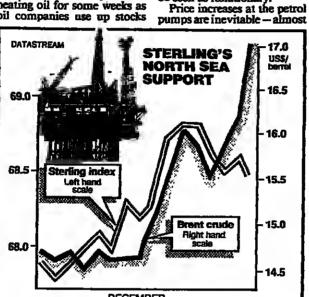
the excise duty on oil products and will be reluctant to pass

on any price rises which could

be seen as inflationary.

The world oil price started its expected upward climb yesterday in the wake of the agreement by Opec to limit output and set a fixed price of \$18 for its oil

However, the consumer should still benefit from cheap petrol and from cheaper home heating oil for some weeks as oil companies use up stocks



they built up while prices were all of the leading oil companies have been waiting for an increase in Opec prices to put up prices. But the size of stocks held by the companies and by governments means that price rises should be

> Petrol prices, the most vis-ihle effect of Opec policies, have been kept down in Britain in the past six mnnths by intensive forecourt com-petition between the oil com-

At present, demand is at its lowest and the big three in Britain - Esso, Shell and BP are reluctant to take the lead in raising prices.

North Sea Brent crude was traded yesterday at above \$18 a barrel for the first time in almost a year and some trad-ers are predicting that the \$20 barrel is likely in January.

The key to firmer prices is Opec's ability to maintain its present fragile unity and keep nutput to its newly agreed figure of 15.8 million barrels a

An \$18 barrel would belp Britain's oil revenues as well as those of poorer countries

Opec deal lifts market

The Opec agreement helped to produce higher share prices and a strong rally in gov- view that a base-rate increase erument bonds. But the to protect sterling had now pound, surprisingly, showed passed. Long-dated bonds little benefit from the prospect rose by more than a point as of \$18 a barrel nil prices. The

sterling index fell 0.1 to 68.5.

The weekend deal in Geneva, Gallup poll results showing the Conservatives 8.5 points ahead of Labour, and showing the Conservatives 8.5 points ahead of Labour, and news firm the CBI of pay settlements at a 10-year low, encouraged the financial markets yesterday.

Hillsdown

puts £8m

into coal

By Cliff Feltham

Hillsdown Holdings, the

acquisitive food and furniture

group, hopes to strike a rich profit seam from its latest

investment - in a coal mining

The company is pumping £8.7 million into Angln United Development

Corporation, the country's biggest independent producer

of open-cast coal, in return for a 29.9 per cent stake.

Anglo United shares jumped 3p to 30p, compared with the 25p being paid by

Hillsdown for its new shares.

The gilt-edged market was particularly strong, taking the view that a base-rate increase money market interest rates

year. This, coupled with the FT 30-share index rose by 14.0 mark against the dollar.

earliest, according to a letter

yesterday to names nn PCW

nf AUA3, the agency manag-

ing the lossmaking syndicates,

said the complexity of the issues makes it unlikely that even preliminary details of

such an offer could be ready

He hoped a resolution

would be achieved in the first

Sir Ian Morrow, chairman

points to close at 1,286.1. Sterling's rise was, however, short-lived. The index, after rising to 68.9 at 9am, ended at 68.5, pulled down by sterling's fall against the mark.

The pound rose 93 points to close at \$1.4420 but dropped hy more than two pfennigs to DM2.8533.

Dealers said markets were thin and that the pound's fall bunyancy of the gilt-edged against European currencies market, helped equities. The reflected the strength of the

against European currencies PCW delay expected

with the assistance of the 1985

PCW names committee and

their advisers, a standstill

agreement to prevent claims,

which might otherwise be brought against potential defendants in the US, from becoming time-barred."

settle the PCW affair before ciples nn which a settlement Spittle, will become joint depthe end of next month at the could be based, he said, but uty chairmen. Sir Isaac, who lives in nther important matters re-Israel, has been unwell, and has had little involvement in mained to be settled. He gave details of the standstill agreement on the running of the company for some time. He was sole chair-American litigation secured last week. "We have obtained,

man for 38 years. Mr Bowman said: "His new appointment is a mark of respect for his contribution to the company."
In 1955 Sir Isaac founded

the Wolfson Foundation for the advancement of health, education and youth activities



Sir Isaac made life president of GUS

Sir Isaac Wolfson, the Three divisional managing founder of Great Universal directors have also been ap-Stores, is to step down as joint pointed from the board, chairman of the mail order, formalizing for the first time retail and finance group. Aged the divisional structure of the

89, he is to become honorary life president.

The new chairman will be Sir Isaac's son, Lord (Leonard) Wolfson, aged 59, who is joint chairman and managing director of a financial services director. The assistant mensaging director of the Burnarding director of th Lloyd's insurance market is Lloyd's and AUA3 had unanaging directors, Mr Har-unlikely to make an offer to reached agreement on prin-old Bowman and Mr A Trevor berry division; and Mr Eric Barnes director of retailing and business information services. Mr Robert Barraclough, who is nearly 70, is to retire

The City was yesterday uncertain how to interpret the changes at GUS. Mr Dan Bunting, retail analyst at Scrimgeour Vickers, the broker, said: "This is part of a long, slow evolution which one day may see a transition to a less cautions, more outgoing, more aggressive management

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US on course for 3% growth, says OECD

TELEVISION AND RADIO 27

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

United States growth The report examines the should shortly accelerate to impact of the major influences about 3 per cent a year and on the US economy both this stay at that level for the next year and next.

18 months, the Organization On the assu On the assumption of oil prices at \$15 a barrel, lower oil Economic Cooperation and Development says in its prices will proivide a boost equivalent to 0.4 per cent of gross national product next year, after a 0.3 per cent boost annual report on the country's prospects.
Inflation in the US is not

expected to show any signifi-cant increase. The forecast is for a 3.2 per cent rise in the gross natinnal product de-flator in the first balf of 1988, estimated to provide an even bigger boost — 0.5 per cent next year, after 0.4 per cent over the corresponding period of next year, little changed from the present 3.1 per cent, rate of increase.

The report adds: "Contrary to developments in past cy-clical npturns, inflation is projected to remain relatively subdued, while capacity constraints are unlikely to pose a serious threat to the recovery."
But the Paris-based indus-

trialized countries' club, predicts that the large current account deficit will persist. It predicts a painfully slnw reduction in the deficit from

influence this year.
Finally, the reduction in the budget deficit, assuming implementation of the Balanced Budget Act, is contractionary bu 0.6 per cent of GNP in next

The deficit has had an

\$69.25 billion in the second expansionary influence, half of this year, to \$66.75 equivalent to 0.25 per cent of billion in the first half of 1988. GNP, this year.

The rise in the stock market, which has added \$450 billion

to net household wealth, is

The effects of the lower

dollar are mixed, improved trade performance partly off-set by inflationary pressures. The net effect is a 0.4 per cent

GNP boost next year, after a

0.1 per cent contractionary

Job losses avoided

tinn of the workings of the labour market in the United States, concludes that flexibility has helped to counter the potential job losses resulting from the current account

It says: "It cannot be concluded that the current deficit has resulted in an excessive destruction of jobs."

Since 1970, 30 million net obs have been created in the United States, with 10 million nf these in the latest recovery. This compares with no net job gains in Europe.

The OECD says that this is because the job market in the US is the most flexible amnng the industrialized countries.

The OECD in an examina-inn of the workings of the bour and real wage flexibility. In periods of high inflatino there was less tendency amnng wage bargainers in the US to

match inflation.
As a result of these factors. with a lower degree nf uninnization, the labour mar-ket is far less segmented than in Europe.

It is far easier to move between unemplnyment and work than in Europe, where the unemplayed can quickly become "nutsiders," and find themselves disadvantaged.
The OECD challenges the

popular view that emplny-ment growth in the United States has occurred because individuals have been forced the industrialized countries. individuals have been force into low productivity jobs.

Loan rates hit index

The longer leading index for nf messages from the cyclical the economy fell last month, indicators would point to a econnmy a year ahead, was next year. pulled down by firmer interest rates and lower share prices.

The shorter leading index Movements in the co-edged up slightly in October incident index do support the and the coincident index rose view that there was a pause in from 92.1 in September to economic activity for about 12 92.4 in October.

its fourth successive monthly situation in which the econdecline. The index, which omy was at present recoverforecasts turning points in the ing, giving way to a dnwnturn However, officials said that the cyclical indicators re-

Last mnnth, the longer lead-mained difficult to interpret ing index stood at 100.9 (1980) and did not provide any clear = 100), compared with 102.2 guide to trends in the economy in the coming months.

months between the middle of Normally, this combination last year and mid-1986.

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DTI to end inquiry this week

By Colin Narbrough

few months of next year.

Mr Harry Solomon, joint chairman of Hillsdown, said: The unprecedented investigation by outside inspec-This is a one-off deal, and it tors into alleged leaks of is certainly not a prelude to taking control. "Nuclear power is out of favour, and there are all sorts of investmarket-sensitive information by civil servants could be completed by Christmas, according to Whitehall sources yesterday.

ment problems with oil." Hillsdown is a big user nf energy — its annual bill is £30 This would relieve the Gnvernment of the embarrassing million - and there could be task of having to investigate scope for buying some coal. Anglo is keen to break into the officials trusted with keeping business competition fair. retailing, and Hillsdown's chain of 200 builders' merchants could provide outlets

for the move. Anglo United is headed by Mr David McErlain, aged 38, who said last night: "The tie up with Hillsdown gives us the financial muscle to move into coal trading possibly by organic grnwth nr hy

merger decisions was being leaked by officials of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), the Mergers and Monnpolies Commissinn, or the Office of Fair Trading.

Only weeks after naming inspectors to look into pos-sible insider dealing in City firms, Mr Paul Channon,

Secretary of State for Trade triggered Mr Channon's and Industry, announced last action. Thursday the appointment of two outside inspectors to investigate allegations that privileged informatinn on

Odd movements in share prices close to announcements of merger rulings were widely attributed to inside information being passed on by civil servants to market operators.

unwilling to confirm or deny reports that a young woman employed at the DTI had passed privileged information to her brother, a solicitor, who used it for share dealings. In line with the official stonewalling since the probe was announced, the department declined to give any details of the progress or origins of the investigations.

From the nutset, the Gnvernment is believed to have had a good idea where to look

This was believed to have for leaks. Rent-a-satellite service for UK companies

Transatlantic round table

By Jonathan Miller, Media Correspondent

Mr Bruce Fireman, the investment banker, will next month launch a rent-a-sat-ellite scheme for British public companies to put their case to American investment analysts. For about £39,000 an hour Mr Fireman's Europeao

British managers with American institutions, using a twoway television link. He said that the price compares favnurably with sending executives to America on Concorde flights for days of traditiooal road-show

Financial Network will link

Mr Fireman has still to sign up his first customer, hut he is sufficiently confident to have backed it entirely from his own funds. He declined to disclose the size of his

Mr Fireman described the plan as akin to an analysis' conference held nn the day that a company annunces its financial results - with the audience 3,000 miles away. He said: "American inves-



pean shareholders. Right now,

all they've got is what's on the screen first thing in the "Using this service, they

can be approached directly. They can watch the presentatinn, pick up a telephone on their desk, call a New York number and put their question to management. At the price -£500 per investor, it is nothing.

The concept has already tors need to be told exactly the been proved in America, same information as Euro- where more than 150 companies are using satellite links to present their case. to the According to Mr Fireman

150 American companies have made use of the system including American Tele-phone and Telegraph Cnm-pany and Digital Equipment. The transmissions from Britain will be carried by an Intelsat satellite to New York. where they will be retransmitted in an American domestic satellite service, Institutional Research Network, which has 60 institutional subscribers. managing funds with a value of more than £1,000 hillion.

Presentations can include direct contributions to camera from senior management, slides, charts, film and videotape.

For an extra fee, Mr Firean edited version to be carried on the Financial News Netwnrk, a cable television service reaching 10 millinn American homes.

Mr Fireman - he is the investment banker whn put together the financing for The Independent newspaper - said that the company, which he owns, plans to launch its service in January.

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property company, is in talks which could lead to an expansion of its capital resources and an nffer for the company. Wall Street 18 Tempus 19 Co News 18 Comment 19 Commodities 18 Stock Market 19 Traded Opts 18 Unit Trusts 20 Money Mirks 18 USM Prices 28 Foreign Exch 18 Share Prices 21 MARKET SUMMARY STOCK MARKETS ... 1919.85 (-9.00)* 18825.40 (-104.63)

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London: Bank Base: 11% 3-month interbank 111132-111932% 3-month eligible bills: 102332-1116% buying rate
US: Prime Rate 71/2%
Federal Funds 67/16/4*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.51-5.50%
30-year bonds 101½-101916*

INTEREST RATES

CURRENCIES New York: \$: £1,4420* \$: DM1.9785* \$: SWF11.6595* \$: FF76.4975* £: \$1.4420 £: DM2.8508 \$: Yen162,73* \$: Index:109.9 SDR £0.839338

MAIN PRICE CHANGES Burton .. Storehouse Woolworth ... Shell IC Gas Extel Group 984p (+13c)
984p (+14p)
609p (+14p)
748p (+25p)
748p (+12p)
1565p (+27p)
678p (+11p)
678p (+24p)
104p (+10p)
190p (+17p)
209%p (+7p)
285p (+9p)
275p (+12p) Slebe Pearl Assurance Morgan Grenfell .

FH Tomkins FALLS: Prontaprint Prices are as at 4pm ... 76p (–7p)

GOLD London Fixing: AM \$395.35 pm-\$394.15 close \$393.50-394.00 (£273.00-273.50) New York: Comex \$392.20-392.70*

NORTH SEA OIL Brent (Jan.) pm \$17.10bbi (\$16.25)
• Denotes latest trading price

WALL STREET Shares in early retreat

New York (Reuter) - Wall average slipped 2.53 to Street shares retreated 1,926.32 at one stage when the slightly in early trading yes-terday as the market took 5.57 to 830.31 and the utilities theoportunity to digest last indicator down 1.39 to 210.67. Friday's broad advance The 65 stocks average de-

andrecord volume. Oil issues reacted positively to news of an Opec agreement on production cuts but the agreement fuelled inflation

clined 2.73 to 751.99. The broader Standard & Poor's composite index lost 1.30 at 248.39 while the New York Stock Exchange

worries in the bond market. The Dow Jones industrial				to	nposi 141.8	te index sl 7.	ipped	0.78	world economic community,
	Dec	Dec		Dec	Dec		Dec	Dec	the Japanese foreign minister, Mr Tadashi Kuranari said
AMR	18 56	10 55%	Firestone	18 28%	18 27%	Pfizer	18 61%	18 62	yesterday. He added: "We must try to
ASA	36%	36%	Fat Chicago	30%	31%	Phoins Doe	21%		
Allied Signa Allied Stra	42%	12%	Fst int Bncp	54%	53%	Philip Mrs Philips Pet Polaroid	79	73%	survive as a country that is
Allis Chimrs	67% 2¼ 34 12%	87% 2%	Fist Penn C	8 58%	6% 57%	Poleroid	11% 89%	11% 67%	indispensable to the rest of the
Alcoa Amax Inc	34 12%	34	FT Wachva	37%	37%	PPG Ind	75 80%	67% 78% 79	To that end we must
Am'rda Hs	23%	12%	GAF Corp	39% 59%	38% 58%	Protr Gmbl	41	41 %	continue to be modest, we
Am Brands	44%	44%	Gen Corp	74%	75%	Raytheon	68%	67%	
Am Can Am Cynm'd	86% 80%	85% 80	Gen Dy'mos Gen Electric		69% 86%	Rynkds Met Rockwell Int	42	40% 48	must maintain humility and
Am El Pwr	28%	28%	Gen Inst	18%	18%	Royal Dutch	9314	92%	continue to exchange opinions with various countries around
Am Express Am Home	69% 78%	59% 77%	Gen Mills Gen Motors	68%	43% 66%	Sera Lee SPE Sopac	89% 30%	69% 30%	the world, listening to the
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Am Stard Am Teleph	43% 25%	43 26%	Genesco Georgia Pac	3% 38%	3% 38%	Scott Paper Sesoram	63%	63%	some opinions seem minor to
Amoco *	70	65%	Gillete	50%	50% 44% 41% 18%	Seers Rbck	411/2	40%	us."
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Ashband Oil	58%	58	Goodyear Gould inc	18	18%	Smithlan Elk	81%	81%	isolation is one that constantly
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Brist Myers	82% 40%	81%	Inland Steel	18 125%	18%	Texas Inst	121%	119% 32%	From Our Correspondent
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aton Corp	77%	74% 88%	Pac Gas El	26	24%	Steel Co	180.	18X	depend on profits. It will be equivalent to 11 times taxed
merson El mery Air	87% 12%	12%	Pan Am Penney J.C.	4% 76%	78%	Thimen N 'A' Varity Corp	30% 2.54	18% 30% 2.50	earnings for the three years to
xxon Corp	73	71%	Pennaul	64% 27%	63%	WCT	124	12%	September 30, 1989.
ed Dpt Sts	89	87%	Pepisco	ZIT	26%	Weston	35%	35%	Chomor 20, 1303

• J W SPEAR & SONS: Turn-over for the second half of 1986 admitting a new company, Ben-failed to reach the level antici-son SBG, to the official list.

failed to reach the level and pated. For the year it will be marginally ahead of 1985. Since NATIONAL: Rothmans and Philip Morris say that the

TRONIC CONTROLS: Cleves the Gabanintha gold deposit Investments has bought 2 mil- near Meekatharra, Western

lioo shares from Mr P Memaster Australia, has produced "signifi-

promotional costs were geared to support the assumed higher

turnover, the pretax profit for 1986 will be materially lower

than in 1985. It is intended to

maintain the dividend for 1986

HUMBERSIDE ELEC-

(8.51 per cent). ● WCRS GROUP: The com-

pany has acquired Alan Pascoe Associates. The first payment

will be £1.7 million of which £!

millioo will be cash and £700,000 will be met by the issue of 134,610 ordinary shares.

A debenture will be issued to

pay the last tranche up to a maximum of £5.75 million,

AFP has subscribed for 10 million oew Gestetner ordinary

capital shares at 140p 6 share.

AFP has also subscribed nil paid for £115.6 million cominal of 7

per cent convertible unsecured loan stock 2001.

NATIONAL: Mr Paul Channon, The Trade and In-

dustry Secretary, has decided out to refer to the Mooopolies

Commission the proposed ac-

BULMER & LUMB (HOLDINGS): The Allied Tex-tile agreed offer document in-

cludes an estimate by the board

of the consolidated profit oo ordinary activities before tax of

the Allied group of £7.5 million for the year to September 30.(£6.4). The offer document includes also the terms of an

agreed offer for the 3.5 per ceot Bulmer prefereoee shares. Holders of these are being offered 60p 6 share, which values the preference share capital at £60,000. A loan oote

alternative will also be available on the basis of 60p in nominal

notes of Allied for each Bulmer

• CARLTON COMMUNICATIONS: The company is

acquiring Gordon Enterprises, of New York. The first payment

is \$6.2 million (£4.33) cash. An

additional sum of up to \$14.8 million is payable if specified iocome levels are achieved in

each of the years to September

BURNS-ANDERSON: the

The chairman has written to shareholders urging them to ignore the offer from Dudley.

• SHEFFIELD BRICK: The

listing of the shares, temporarily

suspended oo November 3, has

been cancelled after shareholders' approval of the re-organization proposals. A rule

30, 1991.

quisitioo of F Drake (Fibres).

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Fears of isolation from world economic community

Make friends with other nations, Japanese told

Japan is in danger of isolating itself from the rest of the re-opened by friction with world economic community, Europe over taxes on whisky he Japanese foreign minister, Ar Tadashi Kuranari said

ith various countries around discriminatory whisky taxes. e world, listening to the pinions of everyone, even if cannot remove grading sys-

And the question has been and wines and the perennial trade problems with the United States.

Another factor is Herr urvive as a country that is Helmut Schmidt's statement dispensable to the rest of the that Japan did not have close friends on whom it could call "To that end we must even in Asia. This desire to ontinue to be modest, we gain friendships apparently nust maintain humility and will not infloence British deontinue to exchange opinions mands for removal of

ome opinions seem minor to tems which discriminate such categorization over a and keep them on our side to against Scotch in one swoop. period of at least three years. The question of Japan's Mr Kmranari, speaking to the Japan Press Club, consumts its leaders — a feeling firmed that the best offer, that it is in the world but not when the details are finalized

Japan has hinted that it Mr Kuranari: "We must listen to other opinions"

Mr Kuranari's thoughts on isolation have been affected by the narrow margin by which Japan scraped through this week, will be removal of to its membership of the

It is seeking to break out of its hierarchial attitude towards other countries which dictates a policy in which the Japanese foreign ministry responds on the basis of a

country's status. Japan needed 103 votes to qualify and collected 107. Mr Kuranari said: "This is something we should reflect on. However small a country

is we must respond to that country and try and gain an understanding of Japan from the smallest of countries to try keep them as our friends.

How many countries around the world support

Japan? That is a question, so we must try harder and

directly to the World Bank.

Japanese institutions provide \$1.87 billion of World Bank funds every year. Japan's world-wide trade surplus could reach \$80 bil-

Bowater buys

per, packaging and building group, is expanding its bome improvements division with for the company which prothe acquisition of Staybrite

Bowater is paying an initial £3 million in shares, and a further sum of up to £3.5 million will be payable over the next two years, depending on results.

profit of just under £1 million

Staybrite Bowater Industries, the pa-

Windows, of Coventry.

Staybrite made an operating

in the past year on turnover of £13 million. Bowater's other main bome improvement company is ADP Insulations, acquired in 1985.

Hampshire, from Kleinwort Beoson (Trustees) for £2,305,000, to be satisfiedby £1,075,000 cash and the balance from April 1. Samuel Montagu & Co: Mr by the issue of 9,111,111 ordinary shares at 13 1-2p.

NATIONAL HOME
LOANS CORPORATION:
The tender panel loan facility,
arranged by SG Warburg last
month, is to be increased from
£200 million to £300 million.

become executive directors. Brown Shipley: Mr Robin Owens is to join Medens Trust

The company says that the increase has been possible because the level of participation has considerably exceeded origappointed directors. THE CONTINENTAL & atlantic Insurance Holdings has

increased ils holding to 15.078,487 ordinary shares EQUITIES (89.011 per cent). • FLETCHER DENNYS SYSTEMS: Interim dividend lp. Figures in £000 for six months to September 30. Turnover 4179 (2836), pretax loss 159 (161 loss), oo tax (same), loss per share 2.3p (same).

THE M AND G EURO-

PEAN & GENERAL FUND: loterim on income units 0.2p (0.3), payable February 13.

THE M AND G GENERAL TRUST FUND: Final for 1986 9.562p (8.223), payable March

inal expectations.

Lucas Industries is to spend £4 million to expand its Lucas Stability Electronics factory at Antrim. The investment will create 200 new jobs and will mean a transfer of production work from the mainland. Half the vacancies will become available over the next 12 The Antrim plant will make a new range of silicon chip-John McAllister: in talks with other companies based components developed by the corporate Research and

Lucas boosts

industry in N Ireland

The manufacturing in-dustry in Northern Ireland yesterday recieved its second

boost in eight days from

hicle plant in Birmingham.

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mingham to Antrim. It is one of our industrial system group Development Centre in Birfactories and is more closely mingham. Initially there will attuned to the specialist be small-scale production of these components at its ve-

Mr Andrew Little, director and general manager of Stabil-The news encourages cauity Electronics, said the US, tious confidence that, at long Germany and Italy were potential markets. He added last, the much needed upswing for Northern Ireland's eroded that world demand was worth mannfacturing base is about £40 million a year. His plant would aim to capture 10 The silicon-chip production

operation, the first for the Province, will make chipper cent. Mr John McAllister, chief executive of the Northern based surge suppressors which Ireland Industrial Developprotect sensitive electronic systems from lightning, nuclement Board, said the board's "case workload" was at its highest level for some years. It was negotisting a number of projects with other electronics Industries' spokesman, said: manufacturers. Mr Peter Vig-"The surpressors have their gers, junior minister for industry at the NID, was communications and avionics confident that 1987 would be markets and do oot fit naturally into the vehicle context. a much brighter year economically for Northern Ireland We decided, therefore, to transfer the work from Bir- than the past several years.

APPOINTMENTS. Charterhouse: Mr David

British Alcan Aluminium: Lord Peyton of Yeovil has chairman. Mr David Morton ioins the board.

TSB Scotland: Mr Eric Wilson will succeed Mr Ian H Macdonald as chief general manager on March 31. Mr Wilsoo will also become a director of TSB Group.

Waterford Glass Group: Mr Brian Patterson becomes group director of management and corporate development

Richard Gillingham, Mr John Neary, Mr Jeremy Prescott, Mr Tom Quinn, Mr John Rickards, Mr Mossman Roueche, Mr Jeffrey Urwin and Mr Arthur Wadsworth

as managing director.
Sale Tilney: Mr J B Buchanzu, Mr J H Cahill and Mr R T D Stott have been

Parish has joined the board as been elected non-executive director of planeing. Connells Estate Agents: Mr David Wood has become finance director.

Bank of England: Sir Colin Ross Corness becomes a direclor for four years on March 1. Thorn EMI: Mr Andrew Marsh has been made business development director at Thorn EMI Business Communications.

Ocean Transport & Trad-ing: Mr Nicholas Barber becomes chief executive on January 1. Mr Peter Marshall becomes non-executive chairman at the annual meeting in

BSS Group: Mr P Donovan and Mr A Milne are oow executive directors.

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Clarke Hooper: Mr Peter Nugent is a director from January 1. Mr Hans Thykier is now a director of the Foreign and Colonial Atlantic Fund and the Foreign and Colonial Oriental Fund.

Nobo (152p) EQUITIES
Ashtead (122p)
British Gas (50p)
Cap & Regional (65p)
Daniel S (130p)
Fletcher King (175p)
Gaynor (94p)
Geest (125p)
Gentree (16p)
Gordon Russell (190p)
Gultrie Corp (150p)
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Fund planned to help Third World It is boned that the World Yasuhiro Nakasone, the government has given money Bank would draw about \$375 Prime Minister, to world criti-

amalgamation of their subsideries, Rothmans of Pall Mall and Benson & Hedges

(Canada), as Rothmans, Bensoo & Hedges has been completed.

GABANINTHA GOLD DE-

POSIT: Southern Ventures said

that continuing exploration on

cant intersections" on the Canterbury prospect.

• THE BANKERS' INVEST-

MENT TRUST: Fourth interim

dividend 1.06p, making 2.86p. One-for-ooe capitalization pro-

posed. Figures in £s for year to October 31. Total income

4,867,648 (4,534,633), deben-

ture and ioterest payable 970,129 (870,330), admio-

istrative expenses 499,278 (455,368), tax 1,102,660

(1,091,220), revenue after all

charges and tax 2,295,581 (2,117,715), earnings per share 2,90p (2,67), net asset value

after deducting prior charges at

par 163.1p (118.6). The board

forecasts a minimum increase in

next year's dividend of 7 per

No interim dividend. Figures in £s for six mooths to September

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(229,182), operating profit 106,068 (debit 155,515), profit

on ordinary activities 106,068 (loss 155,515), extraordinary eharges nil (800,000), earnings per share 3.6p (5.6 p).

the outlook for the current year is favourable, and that further

progress oo the road to full

recovery seems assured.

• READICUT INTER-

dinary shares have been re-

ceived —about 68.4 per ceot of the qualifying shareholders' en-titlement. The shares not app-lied for will be retained by the

institutional iovestors with

which they were conditionally placed, subject to completion of the acquisition of Drake, ex-

• WELLMAN: The directors

are unable to recommend the payment of ordinary or pref-erence dividends until reserves

are rebuilt. Figures for six mooths to September 30. Turnover 18,017 (19,913), pretax profit 663 (142), tax credit 11 (charge 19), extraordinary debit

32 (370), earnings per share, oet basis 4.29p (0.77), fully diluted 2.62p (0.47)

• SMITHS INDUSTRIES: The company has reached agreement with Crest Nicholson for

the acquisitioo by the company

of Crest's wholly-owned subsid-

iary, J D Potter, and Camper & Nicholsons Marine Equipment.

The two companies, with com-bioed assets of about £1 million,

will be integrated with the

Smiths subsidiary, Kelvin

Hughes.

• BRASWAY: Interim divi-

Figures in £s for 26 weeks to October 31. Turnover 9,467,996

(12,673,738), pretax profit 502,696 (604,352), tax 175,944

(241,740), carnings per share 1.76p(1.95). The board says that

sales are expanding and inroads

are being made to European

• BODYCOTE INTER-

NATIONAL: Conditional

dend 0.5p (same).

pected oo December 22.

Japan and the World Bank million (£265 million) from re in talks about setting np a Japanese institutions and pecial fund to channel some \$37.5 million from the Japanese Tokyo's huge trade surness government in the first three year total of \$2.5 million from the Japanese for Tokyo's huge trade surness government in the first total of \$2.5 million from the Japanese institutions and surpluses.

cism of his country's trade

The plan would run for three years and be worth a total of \$2 billion. It would be This is the response of Mr the first time that the Japanese lion this year.

ing arrangement as a good deal

tected the small shareholder.

Werner operates in Georgia, Alabama, Florida and Texas.

In 1985, its pretax profit totalled \$2 million on sales of

\$23.7 million. BET is keen to

expand Werner's business in

the southern states of the US.

BET recently took over HAT Group, which has paint-

• CROWN TELEVISION

BET buys £11m US

scaffolding company By Alison Eadie

BET, the industrial services group, yesterday announced the \$16 million (£11 million) ing group, for a maximum £6 million. acquisition of Werner Enterprises, a private Georgia-based scaffolding company. The acquisition has been

Buckinghamshire, made pro-tax profits of £400,000 on turnover of £6.8 million. financed through a bought deal arranged by Goldman Sachs, the US investment bank. Goldman yesterday The price, to be paid in stages, and in shares will depend on profits. It will be placed 2.6 million new BET equivalent to 11 times taxed market price about 436p. Mr Neil Ryder, a BET and publishing businesses in director, described the financearnings for the three years to

COMPANY NEWS

ing operations in the US. In addition, it has linen rental

to apply for a block or blocks. If successful and a licence is PRODUCTIONS: The comawarded, provision will be made to secure appropriate financial pany has agreed in principle with Mr Bernard Falk to buy his televisioo and video production company, Falkman. The pur-chase will include Falkman's backing for the company • GLANFIELD LAWRENCE: Acceptances have been received for 2,479,963 shares (93,7 per cent) under the rights issue.

OPTOMETRICS (USA): ooe-third interest in the Maidenhead television com-pany, Thames Valley Tele-vision, and a 50 per cent interest Figures in \$000 for six months to September 30. Turnover 1,365 (1,240), pretax profit 37 in Five Ltd, a publisher of training manuals, specialized magazines and audio and visual

(65), tax 9 (21), earnings per share 0.28c (0.44). The company has received five cootracts for projects to develop optical systems for a variety of • DELMAR GROUP: The company is to purchase for £500,000 Weirbook Holdings, whose priocipal operatiog subsidiary is Weirbrook, which • COMPREHENSIVE

FINANCIAL SERVICES: The company is to acquire a strategic stake in Hunziker Associates (HASA), the financial services group, of Geneva. The agree-ment marks the laugch of 6 joint venture between HASA and CFS overseas subsidiaries. A 23 per stake is being acquired for SFr713,000 (£293,000). HASA is acquiring 50 per cent of CFS's Geneva Consultancy Co, the

productions.

HOME BREWERY CO: The offer by Scottish & Newcastle Breweries for the issued pref-erence share capital will close on January 3, and it will not be further extended. OVENSTONE INVEST-MENTS: Figures in R000 for

six mo oths to September 30. Turnover 83,505 (86,239), pro-tax loss 1,424 (profit 3,424), tax 465 (248), loss per share 4.7c (4.4c carnings).

• BRUNNER INVESTMENT TRUST: Final dividend 1.35p, making 2.45p (2.2), payable April 1. Figures in £000 for year to November 30, pretax pft 1,214 (97t), tax 711 (676), carnings per share 2.48p (2.2).

• DARES ESTATES: The company has acquired Hippo-drome Hoose, Aldershot,

CFS trust company. MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD **EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %**

Treasury Bills (Discount %) Interbenk (%)
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1 moth 11%-111s 9 moth 111s-113s
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agreement has been reached for the company to acquire 75 per cent of the issued share capital of Skelmersdale Packaging. The initial consideration will be £3.25 million, payable on completion, which will be by the issue of 870,321 new Bodycote ordinary shares and a balance of £290,909 in cash. On comple tion Bodycote will be granted options to buy the remaining 25 per cent of Skelmersdale in two tranches at a value to be determined by profits in the three financial years to December 21, 1999 ber 31, 1988.

per share 3.6p (5.6 p).

• AUDIO FIDELITY: Figures in £s for 14 mths to Juoe 30 (12 mths to April 30). Turnover 5.644,526 (4.386,234), pretax profit 186,852 (86,444), tax adjustment to respect of previous years 937 (oil), UK corporation tax 52,032 (nil), deferred tax 4,264 (3.000), extraordinary credit nil (73,153), carnings per share 4.83p (3.07). The board says that the outlook for the current year • FISHERMEN'S PETRO LEUM: The company coosiders that some of the Inner Moray Firth blocks offered in the teoth ing to join a consortium op-erated by Kerr-Mcgee Oil (UK)

licensing round are "prospective", and it is negotiat-NATIONAL: Applications to purchase 14,319,171 new or-

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 10% 7 days 10%
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6 math 11% 12 math 11%

Local Authority Bonds (%)
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3 much 11%-11% 6 much 11%-11%
9 much 11%-11% 12 much 11%-11 Sterling CDs (%) 1 mmth 11¹14-10¹⁶16 3 mmth 11½-11½ 6 mmth 11³18-11¹16 12 mmth 11½-15

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483.25 (E334.90) \$ 5.37-5.39 (£3.72-3.74) Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for Dollar CDs (%) 1 mnth 8.80-8.50 6 mnth 6.48-6.40

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

FOREIGN EXCHANGES STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	day's range	ciose		
	December 22	December 22	1 month	3 months
York	1.4415-1.4460	1.4415-1.4425	0.49-0.46prem	1.66-1.91prem
dontree	1.9835-1.9884	1.9849-1.9878	0.48-0.39crsm	1.38-1.23pram
uns dan	n3.2232-3.2577	3.2232-3.2283	1%-1%prem	4%-3%prem
russek	59.40-60.00	59.40-59.52	20-14prem	51-43prem
	10.8113-10.9008	10.6113-10.8878	1%-1prem	4%-3%pram
ublin	1.0482-1.0593	1.0493-1.0503	17-28dis	52-70ds
ranktur	12.8513-2.8815	2.8513-2.8554	1%-1% prem	4%-4%prem
isbon	213.77-215.18	214.05-214.93	91-124dis	224-332/24
Andrid	193.16-194.72	193.16-193.51	10-35dis	20-78dls
filan	1979.18-2001.38	1960.96-1986.68	par-3ds	1 prem-2ds
)sio	10.8394-10.8970	10.8458-10.8678	3%-4%dis	11%-12%ds
aris	9.3582-9.4586	9.3582-9.3762	1%-1%prem	3%-2%prem
Tichim	9.9132-9.9674	9.9132-9.9345	1%-1% prem	3%-3prem
okyo	234.15-235.52	234.53-234.91	1%-1%prem	4-3% prem
lenna	20.09-20.29	20.09-20.12	9%-7% prem	28%-24% pron
urich	2.3893-2.4324	2.3893-2.3946	1%-1% prem	4-3% prem

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Citibank Savings†12.45%
Consolidated Crds11.00%
Co-operative Bank11.00%
C. Hoare & Co11.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai 11.00%
Lloyds Bank11.00%
Nat Westminsler11.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland11.00%
TSB11.00%
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Mortgage Base Rate.

ing index compared with 1975 was down at 68.5 (day's range 69.5-68.9), OTHER STERLING RATES **DOLLAR SPOT RATES** ... 0.5420-0.5460 21,0632-21,1833 0.4220-0.4260 3.7443-7.496 1270.0-1340.0 2.7306-2.7430 5.2845-5.4245 3.1553-3.1598 3.2004-3.2170 5.2840-5.3240 zealand dollar New Zealand dollar Saudi Arabia riyal ... Singapore dollar South Africa rand . 7.8000-7.8010 148.50-148.80 133.90-134.00 ... 13.94-13.96

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(IN THE MARKET)

Broker who is badly missed

The nuthorities produced n testing set of money supply figures last week, Gilts buckfigures last week. Gilts buck-led on news that November broad money had risen by about 1½ per cent. But the news from Opec over the weekend was good. Oil prices look to be heading upwards. Gilts rallied strongly as ster-ling bomced, leaving the authorities, arguably, in a state of euphorities face large

The nuthorities face large problems in retaining some level of viable communication with a market whose focus of nttention varies very sharply. In the old market, the dynamics were practically ceremonial. The authorities had their man on the floor in the shape of the Government Broker, the conduit between traders and the Bank.

Not only did the Government Broker help to drive prices backwards and forwards by his intervention tac-tics. His visible presence on the trading floor helped orient the market towards the minutiae of dealing techniques and price changes and nway from

concept. But traditional structure has now heen swept away. Symbolizing this change is the loss of market demotic. Dealing jargon, like "clo-clo" prices has been junked and the Government Broker has been transmogrified in the shift from a floor to a screen market. The Wedd-Ackroyd axis has been replaced by 27 market makers.

Hostile

The authorities look to be doubly disadvantaged. Their ready instrument of commu-nication with the market has gone. Meanwhile concept has shows a capacity to resurface in a shape and form which is fairly hostile. That is one reason why current yields are

November monetary data illustrates this point. The net public sector contribution to £M3 was negative by some £0.8 billion, an optimal statement of what the current administration has been trying to achieve since the end of the

to achieve since the end of the last decade. But the market seized on the huge figure of nearly £4 billion for bank lending, and prices fell.

Traders now equate this kind of lending figure with weakening sterling because of the erosion in recent months of Britain's visible trade account and hecouse sterling has fallen

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277 Cable and because sterling has fallen so sharply since midsammer.

Loss of ready access to the collective market unconscions may be crucial in the early months of 1987. The new gilts market has become very inter-national very quickly and there are nnresolved contradictions built into the composition of current yields.

On the one hand, German rates have risen abruptly in the run-up to Christmas. Frankfurt money market rates are close to 5 per cent, in reaction perhaps to the 10 per cent annualized growth rate in German money stock.

These developments will concern the British monetary authorities because, notionally at least, sterling and London money market rates are priced off Frankfurt.

Uncertain

Conversely, gilts have tended to price off New York, with the two bond markets running in tandem and separated by traditional differentials. Uncertain trends in the oil price threaten this stable relationship. A feature of price movements in both financial centres ahead of Christmas has been the way they diverged mark-edly as rumour followed rumour of an Opec production

So far this week, London has benefited because in the short term oil prices may move towards \$18 n barrel. But the process could be reversed, if traders sense the production agreement is falling apart.
In essence, London is pric-

ing off New York and Frankfurt when both financial centres are responding to domestic monetary policies which lack common ground.

The Bundesbank apparently wants to put np rates while the Fed wants to see them lower. Even though it may all come right on the night for London, with oil prices continuing to firm, or the Germans deferring n mark realignment, such dual pricing means precarious equilibrium in the gilts market.

Yield prospects must re-main highly volatile, not least because structural changes have robbed the authorities of easy access to a fund of goodwill among domestic

Christopher Dunn

company.
After all write-offs, the GILT-EDGED group's debt at the end of this financial year — March 1987 — is likely to be equal to 100 Yesterday's Gilt-Edged column "Balance of Payments per ceot of its equity. Even will temper rally" was wrongly with this comparatively high attributed. The author was level of gearing, the group has Robert Thomas, of Greenwell significant unused borrowing facilities and will be looking

(STOCK MARKET)

Opec decision heralds seasonal shares rally

By Michael Clark The traditional pre-Christmas rally has arrived late in the stock market this year so investors set about making the most of it yesterday dreaming of lower interest rates in the

This little bit of extra festive cheer followed the decision of the ministers of the Organiza-tion of Oil Exporting Coun-tries to cut output by 7.25 per cent to 15.8 million barrels a day during the first six months of 1987. The move immedi-ately boosted the price of crude oil on world markets which at one stage hit \$18 a barrel.

It is hoped this will allow room for a 1 per cent reduction in British interest rates and leave scope for the Chancellor to make his proposed tax cuts.

Investors took their cue from oil shares which were quick to respond to the news with leaders like BP climbing 17p to 720p, Shell 12p to 983p, Ultramar 4p to 160p and Britoil a similar amount at 170p.

The rest of the equity market also enjoyed selective support for stores and electricals as the new long three-week Christmas account got under way with sentiment boosted by the latest opinion poll findings.

The FT index of top 30 shares closed at its best levels

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Life at Dominion Inter-

national Group is not partic-

ularly easy at the moment. It

is not impossible, just diffi-cult, to realize a £25 million

property portfolio and mini-

mize exposure to energy at

the bottom of the cycle while

trying to expand financial

On the property side, the

group plans to release more than £25 million through

disposals over a period of two

years. It has sold, or has

cootracts to sell, a good

proportion of its commercial

portfolio and is withdrawing

from the housing market. The profit-over-book value

of these disposals is unlikely

to be more than £2 million

hut it will free cash for

In natural resources, the

core business of its 59 per cent interest in South West

Resources appears to be bold-

ing up well in adverse mar-

kets hut the problems at

William Hunt have yet to be

Dominion invested £9.9

million in 26 per cent of William Hunt, a Hong Kong

commodity trading and oil

services company now in financial difficulties. A recap-

italization at Hunt may go

ahead, but Dominion will not

contribute any further capital. Instead, it will opt to see

its stake reduced to just 5 per

This will involve a write-

off amounting to £5 or £6

million - the exact amount

cannot be quantified yet.

Also to be written off this
year is the first of three equal

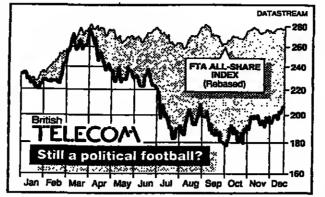
tranches of \$6 million (£4

million) in connection with the acquisition of Trans-national, the US leasing

solved.

services at the top.

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SE 100 index finished 20.0 up Government securities also

caught the scent of cheaper money with prices at the longer end of the market enjoying gains of more than £1. But the index-linked issues had to contend with small

 STC, which has undergone something of n re-rating remonths which, at one stage, cently, was again hitting new hit a low for the year of 178p heights yesterday with the and left the group's 1,500,000 price recovering from an early shareholders with two stark 168p, bringing the total number traded on the day to 6.8

losses in reaction to Friday's announcement of an extra £600 million of Treasury 2.5 per cent index-linked 2024. being issued.

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company came to market in November 1984, has been under a cloud this year after news of the Labour Party's commitment to re-nationalize it at the original flotation price of 130p if returned to power at the next election.

Labour's decision has effectively wiped 100p from the BT share price in recent months which, at one stage, setback to close 2p higher at choices. They could either sell 172p. This was despite a put their shares at a sharp disturbing of 5 million shares at count to their true worth, or accept the Government's nonvoting bonds. This would, hopefully, give them a return on their investment, but oo say in how the company was TUO.

The weekend news that the latest opinion polls gave the of the day 14.0 up at 1,286.1 British Telecom, dubbed Conservatives an 8 per cen while the broader based FT-Conservatives an 8 per cent

Those like Kleinwort Grieveson claim that BT is a "buy" on fundamentals alone

dictated by the opinion polls until the uncertainties about the general election become

despite going ex-dividend.

The hig retailers, which spent most of last week in the Institutional support lifted

hut warn that the price will continue to be influenced by political uncertainties. Mr Chris Tucker, analyst at Grieveson, says: "The share price will continue to be

Last night the shares closed 3p higher at 209p — their best level for some months —

doldrums, enjoyed a long-awaited rally following further evidence of another record Christmas spending spree in

 English Chinn Clnys stepped up the pressure yes-terday in its battle for Bryant Holdings, up 1p at 155p. ECC in its latest offer document casts doubt on the Bryant forecast of a 55 per cent pretax profits increase and wonders why no mention of it was made at the rights issue in October, when Bryant directors surrendered the rights to over 1 million shares at 90p.

Barton Group | 1 p to 27 lp and Storehouse 14p to 277p after both went ex-dividend. There

These prices are as at 6.45pm

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DOMINION INTERNATIONAL

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over up 19 per cent to £28

million in the six months to September 30. Some

£290,000, approximately 20 per cent of the pretax total,

came from the independently

quoted hrewery fittings manufacturer, Porter Chadburn. This compared

with a profit of £85,000 in the

Firth raised its stake in Porter Chadburn to 65 per cent in April 1985. In the

ensuing year to March 1986, annual losses of £63,000 were

transformed into profits of over £500,000, mainly due to

the closure of its Bolton

factory. The prospects for this

husiness have improved considerably. Charles Wade Steel, the

recently acquired Midlands

steel stockholder, made a

small contribution to interim profits. This acquisition gives firth a base from which to

expand in the West Midlands

and takes its stockholding turnover up to around £15 million annually,

It certainly looks like mak-

ing plenty of money this year. Trading profit before tax

could reach £3.2 million.

putting the shares on a

prospective multiple of

around 10.6. The shares have

underrenformed the market

for the last year and the rating

looks undernanding.

comparable six months.

TEMPUS

Dominion troubled

by its disposals

to buy financial services com-

panies in Britain for up to £10

Michael Simmonds, of

Credit Suisse Buckmaster &

Moore, is forecasting a pretax profit for the year to March 1987 of £11.5 million, giving a p/e of 5.6. There is little

downside risk but the market

will want to be reassured of the extent of the strain on the

balance sheet before commit-

At the interim stage, GM

Firth (Holdings) shows every sign of heading for another record year for profits, de-

spite a slight dip in steel stockholding which still ac-counts for about a third of the

The year started well for

the steel stockholders, but a general setback in engineer-ing affected them all ad-

versely, although Firth

seemed to suffer less than the

Elsewhere, the business ap-

pears to be doing well. Fur-niture and floorings had a particularly good first half

and transport also did well.

profit before tax leaped 34 per

cent to £1.4 million on turn-

As a result, group trading

ting itself to a higher rating.

GM Firth

(Holdings)

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COMMENT Kenneth Fleet

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A low-key revolution among the Wolfsons

company, though it remains one of the most consistently profitable and a favourite among investors with long meroories. It has also entered a phase of change at the top — always a fascinating procedure in a major, family-controlled company which is being managed quietly, save for the noisy speculation that Sir Philip Harris is the adopted crown prince, and at a stately pace. Characteristically, a statement yes-terday of a comprehensive restructuring of the board occupied a mere three and a half lines on the Stock Exchange Topic

The full text revealed the formalizing for the first time of the GUS divisional structure and the appointment of three divisional managing directors. Sir Isaac Wolfson's son. Lord (Leonard) Wolfson, who at the moment of the chairman (with his founding faths and chairman (with his founding father) and managing director, will become sole chairman and his father, oow living in

Israel, becomes hooorary life president. What this means for the company was not immediately clear to the analysts hut in the market, where it is thought that one day GUS will embrace democracy, the A shares gained 12p to 1022p. The company considers that it is no longer appropriate for the chairman and

reat Universal Stores is not the managing director to be the same most communicative person in future, Lord Wolfson, together with two deputy chairmen, Harold Bowman and Trevor Spiltle, will oversee financial and divisional results. Lord Wolfson is a fascinated and dedicated member of the House of Lords, which as time goes hy will surely take up more of his time and interest. Who would then succeed him as roanaging director of the group is the tantalising question.

The latest changes, confirming as they do the existing responsibilities of the present members of the board, will not by themselves change the conservative and low-key GUS management style.
They do, however, suggest that the family is aware of the company's

perceived problems. For shareholders, in the meantime, it is more pertinent to look at the recent interim results which showed a near 17 per cent improvement in profits to £134.4 million in the six months to the end of September. For the full year, more than £330 millioo is in sight, helped by the stake in Harris

Queensway.

The husbandry is of a high order but oot even GUS, the great pacesetter in retailing when young Isaac huilt his dynamic estate, can remain for ever set

Ritblat's Euston express

he ever youthful John Ritblat, building which can hardly be de-chairman of British Land, sur-scribed as a prime investment despite vived the falling masonry in the being fully let. It is in an area that so collapsed property boom of the early far has failed to attract financial surprisingly, the stock market finds raise rental value.

This takes time.

with the Peninsular and Oriental developers, or to an owner-occupier, Steam Navigation Company, which would convince the market that also understands property, involves British Land could swiftly combat the British Land's buying the other half of dilutioo, leaving it with the real plums the 1 million sq ft Eustoo Ceotre in in the ECI portfolio. London to give it sole control of the Vogue House in Hanover Square asset. The company's £92 million and other P&O properties in Wigmore fund-raising exercise to pay for the Street and Dover Street came as part Euston Ceotre and other properties in of the deal. They offer tremeodous Eustoo Ceotre Iovestments, and to scope to catch a share of the booming meet outstanding paymeous oo other West End office market which is portfolio purchases, increased share seeing rental growth almost oo a par capital by 45 per ceot and diluted the with the City as shortage of space oet asset value by about 25p a share. drives banking operations further The shares may continue to suffer for afield. the same reason.

Mergers Comission gave its blessing whether these will be property portto the deal yesterday. The way is now folios or corporate deals has yet to be clear for British Land to assess the ECI revealed. The market has linked portfolio, which was bought at a 13.6 British Land, as a prospective bidder, per ceot discount - considerably less with Great Portland Estates, a rumour than the discount at which British he strenuously denies. In any event, Land itself trades.

1970s, since when his astute dealing and conglomerates from the Square Mile trading have created a multi-faceted which are taking space in ooce group. The British Land of the 1980s is a unthought of places — south of the large property investor and developer Thames, for example, If British Land with industrial holdings, an interest in is to unlock any potential within the films (notably The Mission) and Euston Centre and offset dilution, it investment in hotels with the will have to refurbish the develop-Ladbroke Group. It is a mixture, oot ment and alter the lease structure to This takes time. A sale to ooe of the

Mr Ritblat's latest, £65 million deal, oew breed of so-called merchant

The acquisitive Mr Ritblat has left However, the Mooopolies and the way clear for further purchases but any increase in share capital would The Eustoo Ceotre is an ageing hardly be welcomed by the market

FUTURES AND OPTIONS

World still seeks an answer to the feast-and-famine problem

tions in Brussels oow that the European Economic Community (EEC) has found a way to trim the beef and hutter mountains but there is little joy among the world's grain producers.

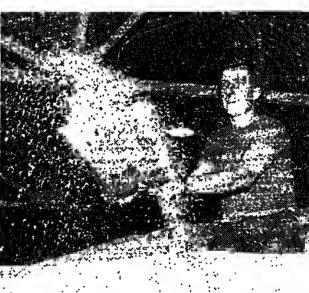
Far from becoming empty. the grain silos of Europe, North America. Australia and Argentina will probably bulge as never before next year. According to the International Wheat Council's latest report, stocks of wheat and coarse grains are likely to rise to 377 million tonnes, almost 50 per cent above the level of two years ago.

This has resulted largely from another bumper year for food output in the developed world. Global production next year is estimated at a record 1.36 billion tonnes, with stronger strains and more productive fertilizers boosting vields and negating any efforts to effect acreage reductions.

Although consumption of grains is likely to be at a record, more of it will be met from within the country of production. World trade is forecast to sink to 169 million tonnes next year, down sharply from the record 208 million just two seasons ago. The hig villains of the peace,

as far as the producers are concerned, are the Russians. Over the years, Soviet crop estimates have been swallowed by the West with large grains of salt as efforts to expand production to more marginal land were dogged hy inefficiencies and had

Now, in the Gorbachov era, efficiency and accountability are the watchwords from the Baltic ports to the oilfields of Siberia. Coincidence or not, Moscow last month annouoced it would be reaping a grain harvest of 210 million tnnnes - almnst 10 per cent up on last year. This is likely to result in a fail in imports of almost half to 20 million



Piling up: Grain mountains are growing as never before

that this is no one-hit wonder members of Opec to face up to but an indication of the improved methods being used in Soviet agriculture. Improvements

productivity will concentrate on land that is naturally fertile and has decent water supplies. No longer will wheat sprout in the field, be harvested at the wrong time, rot in storage or end up at the wrong place.
The wheat producers have

not quite thrown away the salt cellars hut, with prices ever falling, they are bound in take the matter seriously. The big five producers are to meet in San Diego in February to discuss the problem. The dis-cussions should, as diplomats say, be "full and frank".

In particular, delegates from Argentina, Canada and Australia will forcibly tell the EEC and US representatives that their export and production subsidies - part of a longrunning trade war between Washington and Brussels are responsible for driving down the prices of some of their most vital exports.

Whether the five groups will have the will to do anything Furthermore, Soviet of-ficials are trying to emphasize able. It has takeo years for the

the crisis of over-production in spite of much greater incentives to make common cause. Even now there are doubts over whether they have succeeded. Furthermore, food on a

global scale is a politically explosive subject. The idea of a production-sharing agree-ment or a "Wheatpec" cartel to reduce production until prices rise would be unacceptable while horrifying pictures of Third World hunger can be brought into the homes of the developed world.

A s if to underline the crisis of riches facing the producers, forecasts of the longer-term food out-look in the Third World point to an unequal race between population growth and food availability. A more vexing problem is resources distribulion, particularly outside those areas where the "green revolutinn" never took hold.

One report earlier this year by the loternational Food Policy Research Institute in Washington forecast a net food deficit of 110 million tonoes to the Middle East, and north and sub-Saharan Africa hy the year 2000. Results of a study by the

UN's Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) on Africa's agricultural food prospects for the next 25 years were, if anything, gloomier. Mr Edouard Saouma, the FAO's director-general, spoke of the possibility of "repeated and massive famines and food imports which could bankrupt even prosperous African countries.

Ironically, there are several African couotries that have contributed to the production boom this year. According to FAO, nine Sahelian countries will have record harvests for the second year io succession and the scourge of the locusts and grasshoppers has been beaten for the time being. But a long-term solution to the literal co-existence of feast and famine seems as far away as

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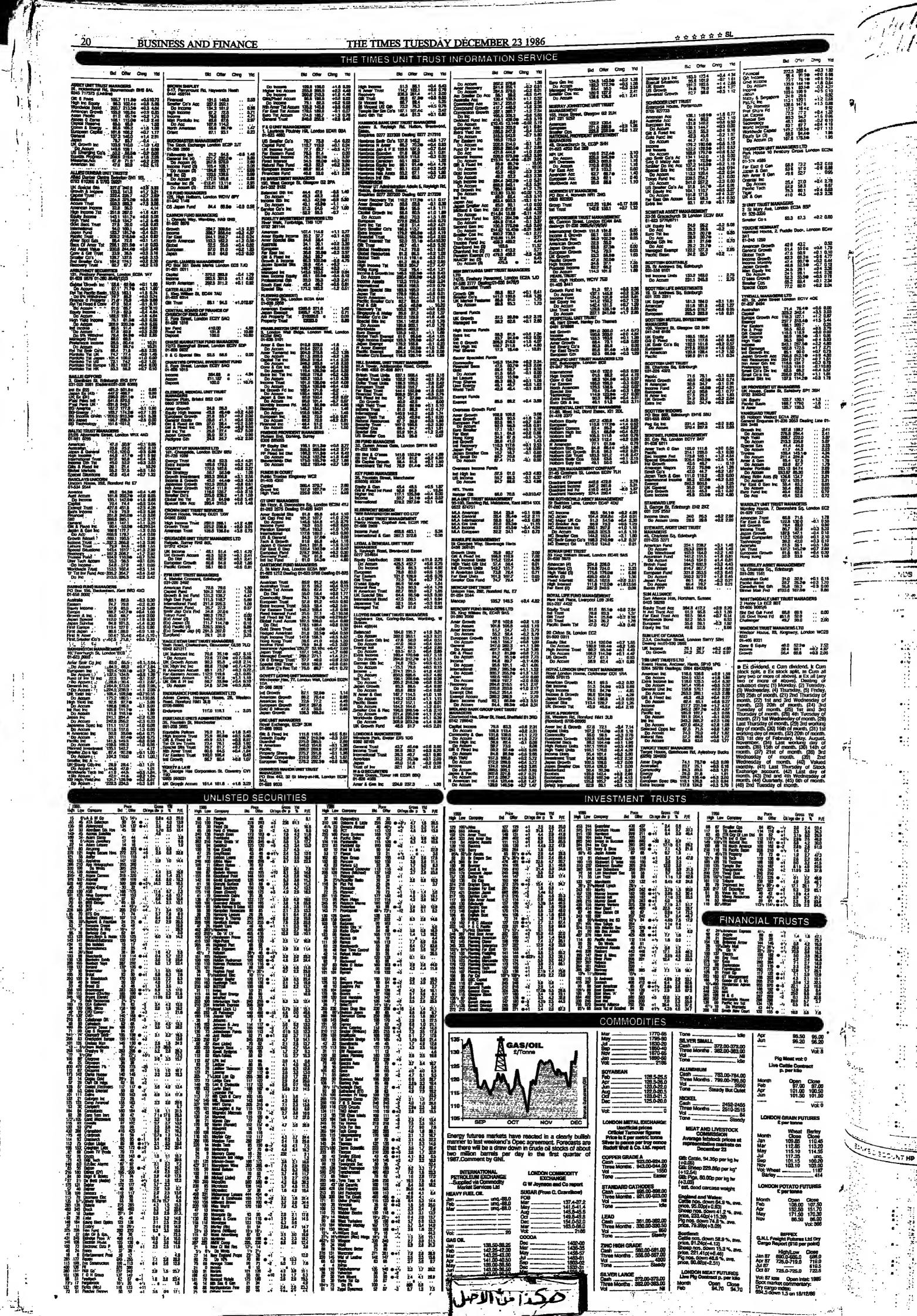
Bonn hint of interest rates fall

Bonn (Reuter) - West German interest rates may fall next year if the strong growth in central bank money supply can be slowed. Herr Gerhard Stoitenberg, the finance minister, said.

Herr Stoltenberg said a cut rates could not be ruled out in 1987 because real interest rates io West Germany and in some other countries were very high.

But he said German rates could not be cut at present because the Bundesbank was understandably worried about money supply expansion.

"If the money supply development can be slowed in 1987, there may still be room (for cuts)," be said in an interview with R'ell am



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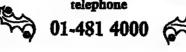
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VOLLEYBALL

Scots have chance to shape future

By a Correspondent

MIM Livingston will have the opportunity to take a hand in the future shaping if volleyball when they travel to the Vara invitation tournament in Sweden early next month. den early next month.

The 1985 Scottish champions are the only British side competing in the event, which runs from January 3 to 4, and which

from January 3 to 4, and which has been designated as an official trial tournament by the Federation of International Volleyball.

It is the twentieth year of the Vara tournament with teams entered from Norway, Denmark and Fioland as well as the host country and FIVB observers will watch proceedings with interest.

In an attempt to make the game more explosive with a view to attracting wider television coverage, teams will be able to win points while receiving service for the first time. As a result, the first team to win 30 points, instead of the normal 15, will win the respective set.

If the new format proves successful, then the FIVB will look closely at the possibility of extending it to more established international events.

Speedwell Rucanor, the men's

first division leaders in the Royal Bank English League, are one of the clubs who employ the new scoring system to training

Steve Nuth, coach to the Bath-based side, said "It puts a completely different complex-ion on the game as every mistake can result in a point." Speedwell took the most speedwell took the most significant step to the league title so far when they defeated champions Polonia on Sunday 15-6, 15-7, 14-16, 15-7, "We overpowered them at the net" Nuth said." In fact, I was a little surprised at how easily we beat them."

Speedwell also reached the semi-finals of the Knock-Out Cup by beating OBC Poole 3-0 at the weekend and meet Malory, conquerors of Polonia, for a place in the final next month. In the women's cup quarter finals, there were no surprises with Sale and Ashcombe both reaching the last four comfortably. Both teams are undefeated in

the women's first division and look set to meet each other io the final of the other major domestic competition. Sale dropped a set — a rare occurrence this season - in their 3-1 cup quarter-final win over Drngonara Leeds while Ashcotobe dismissed Bradford Mythbreakers 3-0.

INNOCK-OUT CUP-Semi-finel draws Mers: Redwood Lodge v Capital City, Malory v Speedwell, Women: Sale v Spark, Arsenal v Ashcombe. Ties to be played on January 17 and 18.

YACHTING: SAILING'S WATERGATE ENDS WITH ALL CLEAR FOR NEW ZEALAND BOAT

'Plastic fantastic' cleared by tests

From Keith Wheatley Fremantle

Glassgate, yaehtiog's Watergate, is over. The controversy con-cerning whether or not the New Zealand

fibreglass 12-metre is legal has been settled in favour of the New Zealanders. Independent surveyors from Lloyds passed all four semi-finalists as eligible to compete in the America's Cup. Holes were drilled in the

New Zealand yacht. But this was at the specific request of Michael Fay, the syndicate chairman. KZ7 had already passed her construction requirements on the basis of extensive electronic and gamma-ray testing. "It was toy request to Lloyds," Fay said. Some of the comments

made about our boat have been lunatic, and some of the actions irresponsible. Our position was this has gone on long enough, and that our position of tolerance has ended.
"I've seen transcripts of a

conversation which, wearing my lawyer's hat, look close to defamation. That has got to stop now. Anyone who wants to raise the issue again had better make a formal protest and tread carefully." The prime toover in the

whispering campaign against the "plastie fantastie" has been Dennis Conner and the Stars and Stripes syndicate. The syndicate, who had their boat, Stars and Stripes '87, tested by the measurer say they are now content with the legality of the New Zealand
12-metre. "We're 100 per cent
happy with what we've seen,"
Robert Hopkins, technical
chief of the Stars and Stripes, said. "It looked like a very

Six of the world's top maxis, including Bob Bell's 80-foot Condor of Bermuda, line up inside Sydney Heads for the annual Sydney-to-Hobart classic on Boxing Day with one aim to common ~ to break the 11-year old maxing the first had the second to be a second to b

year-old record for this 650-mile

passage race held by the ven-

erable American maxi Kialoa

The 70-foot ketch, which is owned by Jim Kilroy, is one of only two yachts to have breached the three-day barrier in the 41-year history of the event—the other was Peter Blake's 1981-82

thorough test."

Drastic: New Zealand's KZ7 underwent electronic and gamma-ray testing before being declared eligible as a challenger Each syndicate was entitled to place an observer at the re-

toeasuring. "As a result of the tests, we feel that no aluminium boat or fibreglass boat of those four (semifinalists) was in any way cheating, and certainly we never intended to say any-thing like that," Hopkins said. However, Conner, the Stars and Stripes skipper, had raised anger in the New Zealand camp when he suggested re-

anyone would want to build out of fibreglass would be to chest He said that after Courageous was built in 1973, 78 ont 81 12-metres had been made out of aluminium. New Zea-

land constructed the world's

From Barry Pickthall, Sydney

won both line and handicap honours in 1980.

However, with the American yacht Nirvana clipping 14 hours off Condor's former Fastnet race record last year, it must only be a question of time before the latest

breed of maxis, now measuring up to 83 feet long, break through the clusive two-and-a-balf day

barrier on this sail across the notorious Bass Strait to the

Lined up against Condor, whose crew have been working round the clock to fit a new built

Tasmanian capital.

Tripoint problem

cently that the only reason

K23, K25 and K27, its America's Cup entry. Hopkins retorted that, as far

as the Stars and Stripes syndicate was concerned, Glassgate was over. He said that if New Zealand weot on to become the challenger, it would be safe from any Australian protest in the final. "If that boat wins the challenger trial, they will be pretty bullet-proof from any criticism or protest by an Australian boat, which is, I'm sure, what Commandante Alberini was seeking to do."
For Michael Fay, the issue

involved a personal elimb-down, which he jokingly acknowledged. Last September he said that holes would be drilled in the New Zealand first three fibreglass boats, boat over his dead body. "I Kialoa III's record under attack

Pedrick design developed from the lines of Nirvana. It was

lannched last month for Bernard

Lewis, the Australian real-estate

millionaire, and won its first race - a 180 miler - in record

Two other promising front-ranners expected to head the

felt a gesture was called for, so I lay down on the dock before the measurer got busy with the drill and he stepped over me to get to the boat," Fay said. "It was somewhat against my personal instincts, call it a gesture on behalf of the New Zealand syndicate."
What Robert Rymil, prin-

cipal surveyor with Lloyd's Register of Yachts and Small Craft, did not do was core-test the New Zealand boat. This tocans drilling large-diameter drilled, and tiny instruments poked through to toeasure hull thickness. The operation was performed on Sunday and KZ7 was well enough to go

sailing yesterday. gossip and rumours we have
It was the first time in had will now go away." SA sailors in ban row

John Martin and Beruie Reed, the South African solo round-the-world race sailors who are competing to the BOC Challenge, have found them-selves caught up to the political controversy surrounding the Australian Government's recent ruling to refuse visas to South African visitors (Barry Pickthall writes).
While both sailors received a

ranners expected to head the 128-strong fleet are the two Farr-designed Whithread catrants, Atlantic Privateer, owned by the South African, Padda Kuttel, and her great rival, Enterprise New Zealand, skippered by Digby Taylor. The pair completed the Cape Town-Auckland leg of that race within wine minutes of each other. warm welcome oo arrival to Australia, their support crews, including Martin's wife, have received an official cold shoulder — even though Mrs Martin holds a British passport. "They've stamped on the wrong lady's tail if they think

Yacht Club, Costa Smeralda, and head of the challenge organizing authority, made the announcement of legality with some formality.

Commandante Alberini, of

much at stake.

The necessary physical holes to test for coroposition. and electronic testing to as-Instead, small holes were certain that the weight, and weight distribution, required by the Society (Lloyds), has been complied with," Alberini said. Less formally he added: "I am very happy that the

they can stop me. I'm from Yorkshire and we fight", Lynn Martin told *The Australian* vesterday. Mrs Martin has now sent her

passport to the Australian Em-bassy to London where she hopes to get a more favourable answer today. The effective ban on the two South African support crews now places a heavy work schedule on the two sailors, whose boats have both suffered extensive damage.

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AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Spluttering Jets have slim hopes for the play-offs

By Robert Kirley

In the middle of November the New York Jets were the hottest cluh in the National Football League but that was two minutes and 22 seconds from time to take their first play-off berth since 1971.

before the pilot light — and the mayday — went out. New York, beaten 52-21 by the Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday, will splutter into the play-offs after losing five consecutive games. The Jets could still win the

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The Jets could still win the AFC East division title and gain n bye in the first round of the play-offs if the Miami Dolphins beat the New Eagland Patriots to the final game of the regular season. If New England beat Miami, the Jets would host Kansas City in the conference wild-card earne next Sunday. wild-card game next Sunday.

"It's embarrassing to be a player on this team," the Jets' defensive end, Barry Bennett, said. "Our coaches have got in be pulling their hair out trying to find what will work."

The Bengals' quarterback, Boomer Esiason, did work on Sunday, passing for 425 yards and five touchdowns against the Jets, who have yielded 181 points during their tailspin. The Jets are the first team to end the transfer teason with five defeater America's Cup history that boats progressing from the early stages to the semi-finals had been subjected to a com-plete remeasurement, and regular season with five defeats and still make the play-offs. It would be prudent not to invest in Jets T-shirts and pennants for never before has there been so your Super Bowl party.

The Kansas City Chiefs earned a play-off berth with n 24-19 away win against the Pittsburgh Steelers. Kansas City, whose special teams accounted for three touchdowns, secured the victory with an interception by Albert Lewis

play-off berth since 1971.

The NFC play-offs were established before the games on Sunday: the Washington Redskins will host the Los Angeles Rams next Sunday in the wild-card game. The New York Giants and the Chicago Bears will host games in the next round, which will include the San Francisco 49ers.

The Bears beat the Dallas Cowboys 24-10 as Walter Payton equalled an NFL career record with his 106th rushing touchdown. Doug Flurie threw two scoring passes in his first start for the Bears and the Cowboys recorded more defeats than wins for the first time since 1964.

The Indianapolis Colts, who lost their first 13 games, ended the season with their third successive win. Thus, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, who finished with the poorest record, are activated to the first height. nnished with the poorest record, are entitled to the first choice to the draft of college players. Last spring the Buccaneers made the first choice and selected the 1985 winner of the Heisman trophy, Bo Jackson, of Anburn University, Jackson became a baseball player for the Karces. baseball player for the Kansas City Royals.

The Buccaneers should have better luck with Vinny Testa-verde, the University of Miami quarterback and this year's Heisman Trophy winner, who has evinced no aspirations to hit home runs.

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ICE HOCKEY

Murrayfield stay on top

By Norman de Mesquita

Tony Hand decided not to stay in Canada as it was thought his return would give Murrayfield Racers an excellent chance to retain their Heineken Championship. Weekend wins over Durham (at home) and Dundee (away) maintained their unbeaten record and strengthened their hold on first place in the premier division.

Dundee Rockets, although

never ahead, managed to share 16 goals at Nottingham on Saturday to become the first team to take a point from the Midlands, but they were no match for the Racers on Sunday.

The Panthers found Whitley Warriors in surprisingly effective form on Sunday and although 6-3 ahead at the end of the second period, they con-ceded seven goals in the third. This was a penalty-filled contest which saw 11 players ejected

Streatham Redskins, who had a win at last after six defeats, and Solihull Barons also kept the referee busy but the individual performances of Crnig Melancon and Gary Brine over-shadowed anything else. Melancon scored five times — twice within a minute when his team was short-handed — and Brine made several spectacular saves. including a penalty shot early to the second period. Peterborough Pirates reg-

istered two toore double-figure wins - their tenth and eleventh in as many games - and took over the lead in the first division. Their imports contributed 43 points in the two weekend matches and Garry Unger and Todd Bidner took over the top two places io the individual scoring race.

International Law Report The Hague

Whitbread round-the-world keel and mast in time for the racer Lion New Zealand, which event, is Sovereign, an 83-foot

Decolonization boundaries to apply

Frontier dispute (Burkina Faso/Mali)

Before Judge Mohammed Bedjaoui, President of Cham-ber, Judge Manfred Lachs, Judge José Maria Ruda, Judge ad hoc Francois Luchaire and Judge ad hoc Georges Abi-Saah [Judgment December 22]

The appropriate law to apply in settling a frontier dispute between two former French colonies in West Africa was considered by the International Court of Justice at The Hague in defining a disputed length of the boundary between Burkina Faso and Mali.

The Conrt unanimously agreed upon the frontier line, but Judges ad hoc Luchaire and Abi-Saab dissociated them-selves from some of the reason-

ing and conclusions.

By a special agreement dated
September 16, 1983, the Republic of Upper Volta (known as Burkina Faso since August 4, 1984) and the Republic of Mali agreed to submit to a chamber of the Court a dispute relating to the delimitation of part of their

The chamber, whose judg-ment has the effect of that of the full Court and which was accepted as binding and to be effected within a year by the parties, was also asked to nominute three experts to assist in the

demarcation. In its judgment the Inter-national Court held: Both states derived their exis-

tence from the process of de-colonization which had been unfolding in Africa during the past 30 years. Their territories and that of Niger were formerly part of French West Africa.

Burkina Faso corresponded to the colony of Upper Volta and Mali to Sudan (formerly French Sudan). Both parties stated the settlement should be based on respect for the principle of the intangibility of frontiers inher-

ited from colonization. The Principle In those circumstances, the Court could not disregard the principle of uti possidetis juris. It emphasized the general scope of the principle in matters of decolonization and its exceptional importance for the African continent. Although invoked for the first time in Capacita American the amount of the continent. Spanish America, the principle was not a rule pertaining solely

was not a rule pertaining solely
to one specific system of international law.

It was a general principle
logically connected with the
phenomenon of the obtaining of independence and its obvious purpose was to prevent the independence and stability in new states being endangered by fratricidal struggles provoked by the challenging of frontiers following the withdrawal of the

administering power.

The principle accorded preeminence to legal title over effective possession as a basis of energive possession as a basis of sovereignty. Its primary aim was to secure respect for the territorial boundaries which ex-isted when independence was administrative divisions or colonies subject to the same sovereign the application of the principle resulted in their being transformed ioto international boundaries, as in the instance of the principle resulted in their being transformed ioto international boundaries, as in the instance of the problem for the Court was to ascertain what in the disputed area was the frontier which existed in 1959-60 between Sudan and Upper Volta.

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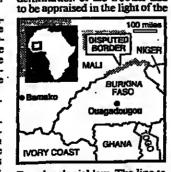
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case.
The principle appeared to conflict with the right of peoples to self-determination; however. the maintenance of territorial status quo in Africa was often ity to order to survive and develop had induced African

The parties agreed that the delimitation of the frootier had



French colonial law. The line to be determined as that which existed in 1959-60 was orig-inally no more than an administrative boundary dividing two former French overseas terri-tories and as such was defined nt that time not according to international law but according to the relevant French

International law, and therefore the principle of unipossidetis, applied as from the accession of independence but had no retroactive effect. The principle froze the territorial title; it sunpped the clock hui it did not put back the hands.

International law did not effect any return to the law of the colonizing state, which was but one factual element among others, evidence indicative of colonial heritage at the

Administrative heritage French West Africa was collection of cartographic ended by a governor-general materials. But the Court noted headed by a governor-general and divided into colonies, headed by a lientenant-governor. Colonies were subdivided into cercles headed by a commandant.

in 19nil succeeding the Sudanese Republic which had emerged from the French Sudan. Upper Volta came into being in 1919, was abolished in 1932 and reconstituted in 1947, with the 1932 boundaries, and gained

independence in 1960.

seen as the wisest course. The essential requirement of stabilstates to consent to the mainte-

The chamber could not decide ex aequo et bono since the parties had not asked it to do so; but it would have regard to equity infra legem, that form of equity which constituted a method of ioterpretation of the law in force and which was

based on law.
French colonial law

the parties and in respect of that particular case. In any event, the Court was not required to fix a tripoiot, which would require the consent of all three states, but to ascertain in the light of the evidence which the parties had made available how far the frontier they had inherited from

the colonial power extended.

Such a finding implied that
the territory of a third state lay beyond the end-point and that the parties had exclusive sov-ereign rights up to that point. However, since the parties had contended that they possessed a common fronter with the other as far as a specific point, neither could change its position to rely on sovereignty of a third state. The Court would merely de-

fine the end-point where the frontier ceased to divide the territories of Burkina Faso and Mali but that would not amount to a decision that that was a tripoint which affected Niger. The parties relied on different

types of evidence 1 They referred to legislative and regulative texts or admin-istrative documents. However, as those contained nn complete description of the disputed area they were limited in scope and the correct interpretation of them was a matter of dispute between the parties. 2 Maps Both produced an abundant

that in frontier delimitations maps oerely constituted information and never con-stituted territorial titles in themommandant. selves. They were merely
Mali gained its independence extrinsic evidence which might be used along with other evi-dence to establish the real facts. Their value depended on their technical reliability and their neutrality to the parties in the

dispute. None of the maps available could provide an official

illustration of any of the texts produced although it was clear from their wording that two of the texts were intended to be accompanied by maps.

Forther, no indisputable boundary line could be discontrary line could be dis-cerned from the documents.
One map, issued between 1958 and 1960 by the French Institut geographique national was drawn up by a body neutral accepted that no modification had taken place since. The easternmost point of the disputed frontier, the tripoiot Niger-Mail-Burkina Faso, gave rise to conflict between the parties. Mali claimed that it could not be determined withtowards the parties. Although it did not possess the status of a legal title it was a visual portrayal both of the available texts and of information available on the ground.

out Niger's agreement, and Burkina Faso considered that the Court had to reach a Where other evidence was lacking or not sufficient to show The Court held that its juris-

lacking or not sufficient to show an exact line, the probative force of the IGN map had to be viewed as compelling. 3 The parties also invoked the conduct of the administrative authorities as proof of the effective exercise of territorial diction was not restricted merely because the end-point of the disputed frontier lay on the frontier of a third state not a party to the proceedings.

The rights of Niger were in any event safeguarded by article 59 of the Statute of the Court which provided that the decision of the Court had no binding force except between the management of the court and the court had no binding force except between the management of the court had no binding force except between the management of the court of the court had no binding force except between the court of t jurisdiction in the region during the colonial period. The role played by such conduct was complex and the Court had to make a careful evaluation of their legal force to each particu-lar instance.

The Court emphasized that the present case was decidedly unusual as concerned the facts to be proved or the evidence to

Although the parties had produced as complete a case file as possible the Court could not be certain of deciding the case on a basis of full knowledge of facts. The case file showed inconsis-tencies and shortcomings.

The court considered what relationship could be estab-

lished among the preces of information provided by the various texts of which it had to make use and reached a number of conclusions.
In certain points the sources agreed and bore one another out, but io some respects, in view of the shortcomings of some of the older maps, they tended to conflict

The western end-point was already agreed between the parties and the court drew in a series of straight lines between co-ordinates the boundary from there to the frontier of Niger.

At one place, the pool of In Abao, the co-ordinates were not specified but left to the three experts whn are to be appointed

to be drawn.

The Court considered it in-

appropriate to appoint those experts in the judgment, but said they would be appointed later by an order of the Court.

The Court noted with satisfaction the agreement in January 1986 of the Heads of State of Burkina Faso and Malito withdraw all their armed to withdraw all their armed forces from either side of the disputed area and to effect their

territories. The Court finally noted that the parties had declared they would accept the judgment as binding upon them and was happy to record the attachment of both parties to the inter-national judicial process and to

GCHQ payment is taxable

Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Neill and Lord Justice Balcombe

Judgment December 171 The special, ex gratia, payment made to civil service employees at GCHQ, Cheltenham, by the Government to return for the surrender of certain rights under the employment protection leg-islation was properly to be described as an emolument of their employment and assess-able to income tax under Sched-

The Court of Appeal so held In Count of Appeal by Miss June Hamblett, one of the employees, from a decision of Mr Justice Knox (The Times March 12, 1986, [1986] I WLR 220), uphelding the County 839) upholding the Crown's appeal from a determination of special commissioners in favour of Miss Hamblett. The Court refused Miss Hamblett leave to appeal to the House of Lords.

In December 1983 the Prime Minister gave a direction that conditions of service at GCHQ should in certain respects be restricted and for the future should exclude membership of a union other than an approved departmental staff association. Employees were offered a choice of accepting the withdrawal of their rights or of being transferred to other civil service employment elsewhere.

Those deciding to continue working at GCHQ were paid £1,000 by the Government as recognition of the loss of the rights that they had previously

Hamblett v Godfrey (Inspec-tor of Taxes)

enjoyed. Miss Hamblett was one employee who elected to con-tinue her employment and she was paid the £1,000.

She appealed against the assessment to Schedule E income tax made on her for 1983-84 on the basis that the £1,000 was a taxable emolument of her

The special commissioners upheld her case that the payment was not an emolument for the purposes of section 181 and 183(!) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 but they dismissed her appeal on the ground that it was chargeable under section 61 of the Finance Act 1976 (benefits received by higher paid employees).

Mr Justice Knox, held that the commissioners had erred in law and that the payment fell within Schedule E by virtue of section 181 of the Act. He did not consider the Crown's after-native claim under section 61 of the 1976 Act.

Mr R. K. Mathew for Miss Hamblett; Mr Alan Moses for

LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS said that there were two limbs to the appeal, that arising under section 181 and that under section 61 of the Finance Act 1976. They could be dealt with Mr Mathew attacked the

judge's decision on the ground that he had disturbed the finding of fact reached by the commissioners that the £1,000 was not paid to Miss Hamblett in return for her services as an Thus, he said, the decision that the payment constituted an emolument arising from her employment within the charge to Schedule E by virtue of section 181 of the 1970 Act

The commissioners' conclusion, be said, that the payment was not an "emolument" for section 181 purposes had been reached after they had correctly applied the law to the facts found and after they had cor-rectly applied their views of the

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relevant authorities. The issue on the first limb could be refined to a narrow point of construction — one that had often been before the courts for consideration - namely the significance of the words in section 181 "emoluments therefrom".

The starting point was the decision of the House of Lords in Hochstrasser v Mayes ([1960] AC 376) — a case relied on by Mr Mathew for the proposition that a payment by an employer to an employee was not within section 181 unless it was related to the performance of the service or

employee. That case was followed by the decisions of the House of Lords in Laidler v Petty ([1966] AC 16), Brumby v Milner ([1976] 1 WLR 1096) and Tyrer v Smart ([1979] 1 WLR 113).

Those cases established that such a payment was a Schedule E emolument if it was paid to an employee by an employer io

return for acting as, or being, an employee and for no other

The approach that the court should take — and which Mr Justice Knox did take — was to consider the status of the payment in the context to which it was made.

The £1,000 was made to compensate Miss Hamhlett for the loss of her certain statutory protection and also for the loss of her right to belong to, or join. a trade union.

Those were both rights con-nected with her employment and without her employment she would not have had any need of such rights.

Had her employer objected to some social activity that she pursued that was not connected with her employment, for exam-ple her membership of a particu-lar golf club, and had then made her payment to refrain from carrying on such activity that toight well be a payment that would not satisfy section 181 and would not be chargeable to income tax.

the judge was correct to holding that the commissioners had erred in law and was right to intervene and to hold that the payment came within the Schedule E charge. In the circumstances it was unnecessary to go on to consider

However, on the instant facts

the more complicated issues arising under section 61 of the Finance Act 1976. The appeal should be dismissed. Lord Justice Neill and Lord

Justice Balcombe delivered concurring judgments. Solicitors: Lane & Cheltenham; Solicitor of Inland

Improbable defence must go for trial

Rafidain Bank v Agoto Universal Sugar Trading Co Ltd and Another

Before Lord Justice Lawton and Lord Justice Nourse [Judgment December 18]

Where the defence to an action related to events occuraction retailed to events occur-ring in a civil war in another country with totally different mores and laws, and had n fictional or storybook quality, that did not mean that it could not support a defence. If it could be described. be described as more than shadowy but less than probable, it was a case which should go to

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by the plain-tiffs, Rafidain Bank from a decision of Mr Justice Skinner who on February 14, 1986 gave the first defendants, Agom Universal Sugar Trading Co Ltd conditional leave to defend the plaintiffs' action for the repay-ment of money said to be paid under a mistake.

Mr Jules Sher, QC and Mr Stephen Nathan for the plaintiffs, Mr Gavin Lightman, QC and Mr Patrick Talbot for the

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON said that 16 years ago the old kingdom of Iraq was overthrown and the Kurds did not like their new rulers. From 1970 to 1983 the Kurds were in a state

At the beginning of this decade the Kurdish rebellion was inconvenient to the Iraqi government because of its war with Iran. The defendants said that consequently there were negotiations between the Iraqi government and the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK) for a ceasefire and that it was n term of the agreement that the Kurds should be paid a substantial sum by way of compensation.

It was said that the sum of approximately US\$12m which was to dispute represented compensation from the Iraqis to the PUK. The ceasefire lasted from 1983 to January 17, 1985 and when it ended it was said that the Iraqi government wanted their money back and used an illegal means of getting

The plaintiff said that the defence was a pack of lies and that the Kurds had swindled them out of the money. On

January 8, 1985 someone handed into the cable directory of the plaintiff bank the authorization for the money to be paid to a named beneficiary. The plaintiff's case was that that authorization was forged.

One of the plaintiffs' middle rank employees of Kurdish origin, who was one of the signatories to the authorization had now taken to the hills. However, he had managed to get to Teheran where he swore an affidavit in which be said that be was sent for by the Iraqi Minister of Finance and told that he had been nominated by the PUK as their trustee for the moneys to be paid and that he was to keep that information to himself.

That was denied by the plaintiffs. Iraq was a totalitarian state and banks, iocluding the plaintiff, were owned by the government. The plaintiffs pro-duced evidence from an academic lawyer that under Iraqi law the plaintiff was a corpora-tion and subject to regulations which did not authorize government ministers to interfere with the day-to-day working of the plaintiffs.

affidavits of Mr Edward Morti-mer, formerly *The Times* Mid-dle East correspondent, who, relying on his experience as a journalist, said that whatever the constitution might say on paper, Iraq was a single party dictatorship io which the will and authority of the president had the force of law.

was that the payment was compensation which was very much a political act which the lradi government did not want publicised and did in a secret and unusual way. They might have considerable

The defendants' submission

difficulty in showing a judge that their story was true. But it was not n case in which Order 14 of the Rules of the Supreme Court should apply. However improbable n story

was, unless it was so improbable

that it was beyond belief, it must

Lord Justice Nourse delivered a concurring judgment.

Solicitors: Landau & Scanlan; Boodle Hatfield







Though his record suggests

he does not hold his form

season racing to late, in the

January he received 2lb from Forgive'N Forget and beat

By also running his popular

second-season chaser Desert

Orchid, the Whitshury stable

should ensure a strong gallop

jumps superbly, and while some doubt his ability to win

The fast, front-running grey

him 71/2 lengths.

in the King George.

altempts to win the King said. George VI Rank Chase at Kempton Park on Boxing

The ten-year-old came second in the 1984 event and was beaten only a neck by the Dickinson-trained star Wayward Lad last year.

Combs Ditch goes for the Kempton spectacular, traditionally the highlight of the Boxing Day programme, without the benefit of a preparatory race. But missing his usual run at Chehenham's December meeting will not have lessened his chances for Friday – the last two seasons he has won there first time

Combs Ditch badly cut his off-fore foot at grass in the summer and took longer this Autumn to come to his peak. However, he is now fit, fresh gallops near Fordingbridge.

"If he's as good as he was at three miles, Elsworth said:

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Sponsors

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Sponsorship money has sourced from £4.4m to £5.3m - an

While some long-term spon-sors, like Benson & Hedges, have disappeared from the

scene, there seems to be no

shortage of new ones ready to

"I think it probably reflects

the great improvement in the economic situation," said Rich-

economic situation, sam acan-ard Dickson, spokesman for De Beers, whose backing of Ascot's King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes rose

by over 22 per cent this year.

Companies in general have got

more money to put into such things as sports sponsorship."

available, those that remain

have become even more

Malcolm Palmer, marketing manager for Coral Racing, who increased their sponsorship by 21 per cent in 1986, said: "Cathacks in television coverage

have led to people paying more money into the races that are televised. Sponsors don't want to

credit for continuing to improve

facilities for company spousors

of the best places to entertain

Richard Power, of Trusthouse

Forte - sponsorship increase of over 50 per cent during 1986 -

much better at packaging the whole day for companies. In the

past, there might be three different spousors on a televised

day's racing. Now, with tele-vision playing less of a role in the thinking of many companies, racecourses can put the day

entirely under one company

lose the spot they have."

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will be third-time lucky when good gallop, he's in with a surprised if anything can catch his crack chaser Combs Ditch sporting chance," Elsworth Dessy."

Colin Brown, regular jockey Kempton's sharp three-mile on both horses, has a hard, but track ideally suits his old favourite Comber who has not unenviable choice of bigrace rides. "I won't be making up my mind until I've walked needed a puff on an oxygen the course on the morning of cylinder to revive him after the race," he said, mindful past attempts at Cheltenham's Gold Cup in March when condinons, if not distance, that Combs Ditch doesn't act on the hard and is never an easy ride. have found him out.

Simon Sherwood is booked to ride which ever Brown rejects. Elsworth and his team long, preferring early or midfear noone, but have great respect for Wayward Lad, Peter Marsh Chase over three miles at Haydock Park last attempting to win a record fourth King George, and the ante-post favourite, Forgive'N Forget, who won the 1985 Cheltenham Gold Cup for Malton Irainer Jimmy

> ● Latest betting on the big race: 2 Forgive'N Forget, 9-2 Wayward Lad, 11-2 Bolands Cross, 8 Half Free, Combs Ditch, 12 Desert Orchid, Door Latch, 16 Cybrandian, 20 and



Combs Ditch, who heads for Kempton without the benefit of an outing this season

Diligent Dwyer leaves little to chance with Forgive'N Forget

Mark Dwyer will not be Jimmy Fitzgerald's owners are in great demand whenever lingering too long over the asked him if he would be his commitments to Fitz-Christmas Day festivities—he interested in moving there, he grald allow. When possible,

After lunch with his girlfriend and his parents near his home in Malton, North Yorkstraight to London. Early on Friday morning, he will be found walking the chase course at Kempton Park, stopping to inspect every fence.

Amazingly, the man who will partner the favourite Forgive'N Forget in the King George VI Chase on Boxing carry a report by Michael Seely with all the up-to-date Day has never before ridden round Kempton.

Dwyer, still only 23 years old, already has a Cheltenham Gold Cup, a Hennessy Gold Cup, and two Scottish Na-tionals to his credit. He is also the man who, this season, has been consistently pressing champion jockey Peter Scudamore for the title.

The Times will also be publishing on New Year's Day when there will be a full Dissatisfied with service for the six scheduled meetings, including ratings for Cheltenham and Catterick Nottingham effort

Last Saturday at Notting-ham, he rode his 53rd winner, To take full advantage of but typically be was not satisfied. "I should have made it 54, but I rode a bad race is the novice chase. I should have put Mick's Star into the race a bit sooner." Dwyer is not a man to apportion blame without justification.

He was born in Co Meath into a non-racing family, and his interest in the sport was kindled by pony racing. At the age of 15, he went to The Curragh to serve his apprenticeship. A year later he had ridden his first winner on increase of 20 per cent - in a year when inflation has stayed at around 5 per cent and television the Flat, and in 1981 was champion apprentice on thecoverage has continued to be cut. Flat in Ireland. But his height, 5ft 10in, and increasing weight

forced him to turn to jumping. Although he has never modelled his riding style on any particular jockey, in those early days he was a great admirer of Tommy Carmody.

He had always fancied rid-

October 1982, at the same starts firing, for Jonjo O'Neill. Jonjo has always rated O'Leary, the idea being that Dwyer very highly. "He is a shire. Dwyer will drive O'Leary would ride the chasers and Dwyer the hurdlers. However, thanks to a few good breaks and the ability to do 10 stone, he was soon installed as Fitzgerald's No 1

Surely, though, his natural ability in the saddle had something to do with that decision? Dwyer is modest: "I believe that 90 per cent of winners are good horses, and also, if you're having the luck, people want you to ride for

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Christmas Day festivities - he interested in moving there, he has a more pressing marter on accepted immediately. gerald allow. When possible, he will ride for Tony Charlton He arrived al Malton in and also, when the stable great man to settle a horse." says the former champion. "He gives them patient rides, never gets them unbalanced, never panics. And he is a

superb finisher.

Certainly, Peter Scudamore is under no illusions about the quality of his closest rival. "Mark is a very, very good jockey," he says. "He always rides a good race, and horses seem to run for him." season has been

Dwyer's busiest ever, partly due to appointing an agent to Needless to say, his services get him the type of rides he

increasing quality of the Fitz-gerald stables. "Mr Fitzgerald has gradually built up a string of very good horses," Dwyer says. "Apart from Forgive'N For-get, we have Androma back in training for the Scottish Na-

tional again, and some very

good prospects, notable Rising

"I'm a bit worried that Forgive'N Forget has run so well so early in the season, but if all goes well at Kempton he'll probably have a run in Ireland in February before being aimed at Cheltenham again. I reckon the others will be more afraid of us than we are of them," Dwyer said. He has a good working relationship with Fitzgerald,

and is happy to adapt his riding style to his boss's requirements. "The guv nor believes that the race is won between the second last and the last, so that's the way I'm riding now for him. It doesn't always work, mind. Some-times you get there a bit too early, sometimes you never get there at all."

Refusing rides on bad horses

Although in an enviably strong position, he is trying not to think about the jockeys' championship. "You must have your priorities right and ride on a day-to-day basis. Anything can happen between now and May, and at the moment I don't feel any pressure on me.

"Of course, I'll be looking for spare rides if I'm still going well in a few months' time. I'll ride any good jumper, even if it's known to make the odd mistake, and I'll try to get the best out of it. But I won't ride a bad horse. I can't see the point in that."

Jimmy Fitzgerald is believed to have backed Dwyer at 100-1 for the ehampion-ship. At this stage of the proceedings, that looks like a pretty good bet.

John Dorman

ing in England, so when one of Dwyer, who is pressing Scudamore hard for the jockeys' title King's College Boy passes with honours

King's College Boy proved his class when soaring to a six-length victory from Polar Nomad in the Glentress Novices' and delighted his one horse permit-holder, Tricia Calder.

Geordie Dun, who partnered the winner, said: "I rode in the Chase at Kelso yesterday. His jockey, Graham Bradley, reported: "The winner had two stone up his sleeve."

The winning trainer, Monica Dickinson, said: "King's College Boy came to us from Nick Vigors's yard. He said the gelding would never win a chase but be has been given our treatment, and could make a Chehenham horse over fences. He has won over hurdles there, and also won at Ascot." The Divider, a winner over

hurdles and fences at this course, battled home to a three lengths victory from Preben Fur

colours behind at home." The winner was always going nicely, pulled alongside Preben Fur at the last. praise for Stephenson for lending her the colours, said: "The Divider now goes in a two and a

half mile chase at Cheltenham on New Year's Day."

March Fly, who has had a leg infection and has been looked after by trainer Alan Mactaggart, a steward at both Kelso and Newcastle, returned ing up his pace of a winner a to form in the Sisterpath day. He landed his sixth victory

The mare, ridden by David Mactaggart, who celebrates his 20th birthday on Christmas Day, pushed his father's horse Geordie Dun, who partnered the winner, said: "I rode in the colours of Arthur Stephenson, because I left Mrs Calder's home to lead on the run-in. Answer Back broke a leg after the third hurdle and had to be Alan Mactaggart, who bred

the winner, said: "Now March Fiy will have another hurdle race before switching to chases.
This is the sire Sousa's first
winner. David has spent a while
with both Gordon Richards and Jimmy FitzGerald, and has had a few rides for Ayr trainer John Michael Hammond is keep-

Results from yesterday's two meetings

Dunloring, a 7-2 chance, lifted the Charterball Juvenile Novices' Hurdle. horse owned by estate agent John Tennant from Middleham, and three col-leagues, Jim Wardle, Ronald

Johnson and John Day, who is stud manager for Lord Leverhulme at Thirsk. Jonathan Davies rode exactly to orders when getting Priceoflove home to score by two lengths in the Cardrona Handicap Hurdle.

length away third. Dudley Moffatt, formerly assistant to Roger Fisher, was saddling his fourth winner of the season, and said: "Priceoflove is Colonial Charm's owners originally had the mare - their first-ever winner - with Chuck Spares but transfered her to a horse who needs time between Oliver Sherwood at Lambourn his races. He is a good little horse and two miles is his trip."

when Spares moved north from Newmarket. Colonial Charm went wrong after arriving at Lambourn and Sherwood had her pin-fired. tav). Also ran: 7-2 Bounty's Clown, 7 Worthy Knight, 11 Rimsdale, 12 Rovgo, 20 Snow Babu, 33 Cueens Pattern (6th), 50 Betmbicello (4th), 65 Betlingtance, Answer Back (pu), Lighter Shade (pu), Powteel Prospect, Sberien Moon, 15 ran. 1%1, 2%1, 51 hd, 21 Mr A Mackaggart at Jedburgh. Tote: £13.70; places 23.20, 23.30, £1 10. DF: Winner or second with any other horse £1.40. CSF: £72.96. Simon Sherwood also won on hot favourite Charlies Cottage,

on whom he led all the way to win the second division of the Mistletoe Novices' Chase for Nick Henderson. The champion trainer re-

ported that stable jockey Steve Smith Eccles was hoping to return to the saddle on Boxing Day. He has been out of action since being kicked in the stomach when indamelody fell at Leicester a week ago.

Fell Climb, winning for the second time from six outings ma is his strong suit when San Morshead partnered him to a four-length victory from the favourite Ceriman in the Port and Brandy Handicap Chase.

Finnesko again showed his hking for the course with an allthe-way success under Michael Bowlby in the Holly and the Ivy Four of his five wins have been

BASKETBALL

Portsmouth's loss brings Brazilian blend to Last's cup

By Nicholas Harling

pionships (WICB), which go into practice at the highest ahead for the tenth year at level."

The view was a very different

Last's event, which is handineither a major sponsor nor television coverage, was already suffering from the late with-drawal of the Prudential Na-tional Cup winners, Polycell Kingston. Yet, no sooner had Draper's Tools Solent Stars confirmed that they would risk a fine from the English Basket Ball Association by taking Kingston's place, than HFS Portsmouth pulled out to leave Last once again in the lurch. He immediately filled the gap

however, by inviting a second Brazilian club, Continental of São Paulo, who will be in England in any case, as they are playing in the Portsmouth tournament on December 29 and 30. The top seeds, Montelibano, also of São Paulo, are the other Brazilians in the event. Solent, who meet Solna of Sweden in their first round tie,

will be in an invidious position with the EBBA should they win that and their second-round tie with the Greeks from Aris Salonika.

Fine omen

from

The Jolly

Beggar

and Mark Dwyer fought out a

tremendous finish in the last race before Christmas at

Towester yesterday, victory go-ing to Dwyer on The Jolly Beggar, his only mount of the

Jimmy FitzGerald's charge

and Harry's Bar came right away from their rivals over the

last two flights, with The Joly
Beggar getting the better of the
6-4 favourite at the last to score
by one and a half lengths. The
pair were chased home by First

Romance, making a promising

The Jolly Beggar, whose only other racecourse appearance was when he finished fourth in a

National Hunt Flat race, be-longs to Tim Kilroe, whose

yellow and orange colours Dwyer will sport on Boxing Day

when he partners the 1925 Gold Cup winner Forgive'N Forget in

Jimmy Fitzgerald, who now needs only one more winner for

picked himself up and began to draw away at the next fence to

come home by five lengths from Rambling Song, whose amateur rider John Wrathall was later

fined £75 by the stewards, who did not accept his explanation as to why he weighed in 3lb more than he weighed out.

Advanced going

The advanced going for Boxing Day's eight meetings are: Sedgefield, good to soft; Huntington, Hundles - soft, Chase - good to soft; Wolverhampton, good; Wetherby, soft; Wincarton, soft; Market Rasen, soft; Kempton, good to soft; Newton Abbot, heavy.

Colonial Charm initiated a

42-1 double for Simon Sher-wood when she made a remark-

able comeback, winning the first-division of the Christmas Pud-

ding Novices' Hurdle.
It was Colonial Charm's first

appearance for nearly 22 months and the six- year-old mare came with a fine late run to

get up to beat Brookmount for her first win, appropriately oo the birthday of John Shey who

shares her with another London

owner Tony Clohessy.

Brookmount jumped to the front three flights from home, but Colonial Charm, a 20-1

chance, came with a strong

challenge at the last, together with the favourite, None Too Dear. Colonial Charm beat

Brookmount a neck, with None Too Dear threequarters of a

the King George VI Chase.

Novices' Chase.

debut for the Queen Mother.

Salonika.

They would then be committed to playing their semi-final on the Saturday night at precisely the same time as they are scheduled to be playing a Carisberg National League game at HomeSpare Bolton, who have refused to re-arrange the fixture.
"Let's just say we'll worry about
that problem when it comes,"
said Roger Nash, the Solent Leading champioasbip contenders Peter Scudamore

Two South Coast first division clubs are bringing joy and despair to David Last, the tournament director of the blank out of the tournament director of the share. World Invitation Club cham- moves and we want to put them

The view was a very different one just along the M27 at Portsmouth, whose coach, Dan capped this year by having Lloyd, revealed: "In our best interests we have had to pull out. The tournament is a good one hut it's just not worth risking what can be achieved for the rest of the year. We've got a hectic schedule and we can't afford to risk all the players getting injured."

Lloyd was referring to Colin Irish, who after missing last week's cup final defeat by Kingston, returned to sink 21 points in Saturday's 97-89 first division win at Reg Varney Sunderland. Solent were also victorious, but they were 11 points down in a fluctuating match against Calderdale Explorers, before succeeding 92-87.

The last few refereeing decisions upset Dave Smith, Calderdale's assistant coach, who after receiving a technical offence for kicking a chair in protest, stomped off to take no further part. He was in good or bad — company, since Anthony Madd, another Calderdale assistant coach, was also a technical offender during last week's game at Bolton.

Last, meanwhile, wearing his other hat, as coach to BCP London, was presented with more anxiety by his club on Saturday. Visiting BPCC Rams Derby, London seemed to be heading to an easy win over a club they had already defeated in the solent in cup and league, when their airman.

"There is no profit going into to 83-76 by the finish.

Stimpson replaces captain Tatham

Paul Stimpson, the holder of a but extended his commiserarecord 83 England caps, has been reinstated as captain of the national team following the withdrawal of four Portsmouth players, including Karl Tatham. who had been previously named as captain for the Pohlajo tournament in Finland from December 28-31 (Nicholas Harling writes).

The Portsmouth quartet have been pulled out because their cloh want all their best players available for their own four-team tournament on December 29 and 30. Besides Tatham, the other players affected will be Colin Irish, Mike Spaid and Joel Moore.
It was because of the risk of

needs only one more winner for his half-century this season, said: Forgive'N Forget is in great form. I think be will take a lot of beating in the big Kempton Chase."

Scudamore still leads Dwyer by four (58-54) as he had a virtual all-the-way victory on Ivor Anthony for Flat race trainer Ian Balding in in the first

Stimpson, who was in charge The American-bred chestnut lnoked like being swallowed up by his rivals when he made an atrocious mistake three fences Scudamore did really well to retain his seat and Ivor Anthony

Leicester.

Stimpson, who was in charge of the England squad that flopped in the European championships quatifying round in Denmark last spring, was delighted to be back as captain under David Titmuss

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London, Captain), M Bert (BCP London), P James, C Vaughan (both Leicester), P Scantbebury (Bracknes), P Mudings, R Taylor (both Sunderland), A Beogun, J Fogarty, O Gerdner (si Manchester United), K Scott (Polycel Kingston), R Jordan (Bolfton). captain under David Titmuss

tions to the new England coach by adding: "I think Dave is now starting to find out how politics will affect his team selections." Five players, yet to be capped by England, are in the squad of 12 that meets Turkey, Finland

and West Germany in the tournament. They are Peter Scantlehury (Happy Eater Bracknell Pirates), Russell Taylor (Reg Varney, Sunderland), Jason Fogarty (Sharp Manchester United), Roy Jordan (HomeSpare Bolton and Bury) and Kenny Scott (Polycell Kinston)

Kingston).
The most surprising omissious are Sam Stiller of Bracknell and Rohby Peers of It was because of the risk of Injury, that Portsmouth refused permission for those players to play in Sunday night's commemorative match for the late Larry Dassie at the Sobell Centre in Islington. Moore, who nevertheless went ahead and played, faces disciplinary action from the club.

Signature who was in charge the risk of Injury, that Portsmouth refused Manchester United. Colin Manchester United Indiana Indian

Jordan (Bolton).

GOLF

Behan's new world as wide as the prairies

By Patricia Davies

Lillian Behan, one of the heroines of the Curtis Cup victory in Kansas last August, is the first member of the team to

turn professional. Announcing her decision in Dublia yesterday, Miss Rehan, aged 21, said: "I have done all there is to do as an amateur and am very excited at the thought

of this big new challenge."

Bearing in mind that she was unknown outside Ireland a year and a half ago, her success is nothing short phenomenal. She first astou phenomenal. She first astounded the golfing world — and, she edmits, herself — when she won

the British metch-play championship at Ganton at her sole aim was to qualify for the match-play stages," she recalls, "and I was as surprised as

anyoue when I won the title."
That win transformed the life of this say, gauche stud groom from the Curragh, one of 16 children of an Irish Army sergeant. She found herself travelling to Australia to play in the ng to Australia to play in the Australian Open, she played in the Vagliano Trophy for Great Britain and Ireland in Europe, winning her two foursomes in partnership with the experi-

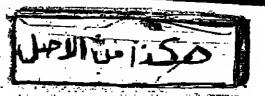
enced England international Jill Thornhill, and then came the highlight — the Curtis Cop victory at Prairie Dunes in

The Thornhill-Bebea partnership proved an inspira-tion as they routed their opponents with a combination of Thornhill's putting and Behan's power. Her work with borses has given her particularly strong hands and forearms and she hits the ball a long way despite an anorthodox, apright stance and o short backswing.

when matched against the mighty Laura Davies, Europe's leading woman professional, and Mrs Thornhill has no doubts about ber partner's ability, say-ing simply: "She is a magic Let us hope the magic survives

the grind of being a professional, with all the travelling and drudgery that that involves. Fortunately, Miss Behan is much more more than the state of the state nuch more worldly-wise these days and is in good hands, being managed by Roddy Carr, son of Joe, himself o former professional as well as a member of the victorious Walker Cup team

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Whatever the reasons for the boom - and it is probably a mixture of the three mentioned it ends the racing year on an However, John Hughes, the experienced clerk of the course

at Aintree and Chepstow and

ds one cautionary note. that graph of sponsorship continues to move unwards, and much credit goes to the smaller courses and sponsors," be said. "But we must not be compiecent. Sponsorship is an extremely competitive field, and it is noticeable, for example, that the arts are beginning to attract

Towcester

Going: Soft 12.30 (2m Indie): 1, COLONIAL CHARIM S Sterwood 20-7): 2, Brookmount (F Rowe 5-1): 3, None Too Dear (A Charton 2-1 Fav). Also ram: 4 Vital Boy (5th), 3 Condicate Boy (4th), 12 Thorn Prans, 16 Crimson Boid (pu), King's Advocate (6th), 20 Tour de Force, 25 Duelling, 33 Fleet Special, Hallo Matey, Hasty Diver, Moucan Mil (pu), Papegeno (ref), Sailors Reward, Elizabeth Fry. 17 ram. ni., 3il, 12i. 13i. Ind. O Sherwood at Upper Lambourn. Toler, 276.00, 211.30, \$2.00, \$21.40. DF; 22.0 (whener or second with any other horse). CSF: £112.02.

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1.0 (2m SI 110yds): 1, IVOR ANTHONY (P. Scudamore, 4-1); 2, Rambling Song (Mr. J. Wrathall, 10-1); 3, Alsiri (F. Stronge, 33-1). Also ran: 6-4 fav Corbit Coins (ur.), 100-80 Steel Yeoman (5th), 12 Erica Superbe (4th), 33 General Sandy, Hodgson Moor (pu), Impound (pu), Jubilee Lights (6th), Premon's Last (f), Toucor (pu), Swag Jacket (ur.), 13 ran. 5, 6, 4, 15, 25, 1 Baiding at Kingsclere, Tote: £3.40; 152-152, 139, £2.10, £7 10. DF £26.80. GSF £3.60. 1.30 (2m): 1, SAUCY SPRITE (H Davies, 6-1); 2, Brokers Choice (L Harvey, 25-1); 3, Boulevard Roy (P Jourphy, 5-1). Also ran: 11-8 fav Ramille (4th), 13-2 Mr McCregor (5th), 10 Track Marshall, 14 Boswoth Bay, 25 Donna's Boy. Mr Panacha (pu), Podacres, Chaise Longue, Ravenscraig (6th), 12 ran 11 71 hd, 21, 11 A P Janvis at

M Chapman, 2,200gns.
2.0 (3m 190yds): 1, FELL CLMB (S. Morshead, 6-1); 2. Cerimau (D. Browne, 6-4 fav); 3, Katair (T. Jarvis, 10-1). Also ran: 7-2 Geets An Uisce (4th), 10 Up And Down (), 11 Swift Messanger, 14 Castle Andrea.
20 Flemington (8th), 33 Springwood, Lucky Vintage (5th), Seven Acres (pu), 11 ran, NR: Bally-Go. 4l, 7l, 4l, 15/l, 10L P. Bailey at Salisbury Tote: 25.70; places 21.80, 21.40, 22.50. DF 29.90. CSF: 15.28. Tricast: 281.78

2.30 (2m 50/ds): 1, FINNESKO (M Bowlby, 3-1 tav); 2, Archies Prince (W Humphreys, 11-2); 3. Midnight Song (I. Harvey, 7-2). Also rat: 6 Braven, 13-2 Turkana (4th), 8 Toirdealbhach (5th), Essex (6th), 7 ran. 2VI, 12, 5t. 5, 15, 15, S Christian at Lambourn, Totac (73, 32). 23.50. DF 21.4.40. CSF 217.84
3.0 (2m 51 110yds): 1 CHARLIE'S COTTAGE (5 Sherwood, 21-20 lav); 2 Le Veigen (5 McNeil, 9-2); 3, Reddiows (Mr M Armytage, 12-1). Also rans 9-2 Gregera Pride (51h), 6 Salehurst (1), 33 Seeyouaround (6th), 50 Coyor (4th), Jury Action (pu), Pauetras Gold, Robert Henry [pu), Star Formula [pu]. The Bonderizer (ur), Glenbane Ladv (f), 13 ran. 15, 3, ½, 11, 15. N Henderson at Lambourn, Tote £1.80; places £1.50. £1 10. £1 50 DF £8.70. CSF £6.22

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Ottey, 20 Karakter Reterence (6th), See You There (4th), Timoliver, 25 Lordy Boy, Sweet Storm, 33 Bardan, Chevening (pu), Just Aquitted, Townswile, Valent Pfigrim, B J Moon (6th), Deep Sent (pu), Greenham Lady (pu), 18 rsn. 1½1, 81, 71, 11, 31. J Fizzgeraid at Malton, Tote: \$2,80; places \$2,20, £1 10, £4.50. DF: £2.70. CSF: 872. Kelso

Going: Good to Soft
12.15 (2m ch): 1, DURLORING (M Harmond, 7-2); 2, Par's Jeeter (R Lamb, 11-10 fav); 3, Geograf Goest (C Grant, 9-2); Also ran: 14 Come Pour The Wine (5th), Pearl Fisher, 16 Brampton Lyn (4th), Viragendra (rsh), 20 Briss Daughter (6th), 50 Bonne Nut, Donnik (pu), 10 ran, %, 5l, 2%1, 20, 3l, Il Moore at Middlerham, Tota: \$2.90; places £1,00; £1,00, £2.20 DF £4.20 CSF £771
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Cross (pu), 6 ran. 2%1, 151, 101, 201, M
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2.45 (2m): 1. PRICEOFLOVE (J O Devies, 5-1): 2. Smart in Black (P Tuck, 6-1): 3. Curet Stick (M J Walton, 5-1). Also ran, 7-3 fev Absonant (4th), 3 Burley Hill Lad, 9 Yellow Bear (5th), 10 Polish Knight (pu), 12 Rapid Beat, Adare, 33 Matelot (5th), Shumard, The Fiver, Little Tempest 13 ran 2, 11, 12%, 31, 31. D Moffait at Cartinel Tole: \$5.60; places \$2.30, \$1.50, \$2.780 DF \$10.60 CSF \$235.05 Tricast \$2145.78 Placepot: \$49.90

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ASKETBALL

John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent, assesses England's players and officials in his half-term report Broad takes opportunity with both hands

England's tour of Australia is past the turn. Eleven weeks have gone and there are eight to come. Nets tomorrow and another Test match starting on Boxing Day preclude a Christmas break, but

not a half-term report.

As early sethack against Queensland, a poor showing against Western Australia and defeat hy New South Wales have been offset by victory in the first

Charges of an over-cautious approach since then, though not

Mike Gatting

It was a pity about the worked hard and very well for oversleeping at Melbourne, it. His on-side play is as sound an indication that he still has much to learn about the responsibilities inherent in the England captain's job. Oo the other hand, taking on the No.3 position io the Test side was an act of genuine leadership, and the calculated way in which he laid about Greg Matthews during his 100 in the third Test was just what we John Emburey

His bowling in the Test victory in Brisbane was one of the bighlights of the tour so far. And now that Australia's batsmen are becoming more familiar with his methods, without growing contemp-tuous of them, he would, I think, benefit from a more varied use of the bowling crease. He is a usefully quiet foil as Gatting's vice-captain. Bill Athey

After first innings scores in the first three Tests of 76, 96 and 55, and opening partner-ships in the first and third of 223 and 112 with Broad, he need no longer look back on his England career as one of almost unrelieved failure. Apart from a weakish area when hrought forward outside the off stump, his batting lechnique has much to recommend it, and he has a Yorkshireman's proper distaste for getting out. Ian Botham

Encouraged, and allowed by the press, to keep a lower profile than in West Indies, he is having a correspondingly happier tour, though if, as he promises, he is to eod his iouring days on a high note, his inter-costal injury will need to make a remarkable recovery. His century in Brisbane was an expression of his delermination to do well. Tasmania's wild trout also found a fisherman worthy of their mettle last Saturday.

hundreds against Australia which showed what there is to give him a proud place on the be tapped.

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nnfounded, have taken insufficient account of the legacy of uneasiness left by 11 successive Test matches in West Indies and England which contained not a single victory and consisted mostly of defeat. Suggestions that the Ashes should be scrapped are no more than a biennial chestant. It is like saying that the averages

The overall impression is of a well-knit side. I should like to see them travelling in ties rather than white boiler suits, and there is no

it. His on-side play is as sound

as his temperament, and he is

always well turned out. We await with interest to see how

he copes with the West Indian fast bowlers in Perth at the end

It is a little early yet to predict just where his consid-

erable natural talent will lead

him. He can be lively with the ball, has a fine arm in the field

and showed, while making 40

in the first Test match, that he

has quite a West Indian flair with the bat. Then, at Ad-elaide, he discovered the part

nerves play in Test cricket. It

is good to see the pleasure he

gets out of playing other games

Graham Dilley: Five wickets

in Australia's first innings of

the first Test match estab-lished him as first pick among

keeping something in reserve, such as a yard or more of pace.

His boots oced cleaning very

at times to be attritional.

Titmus, for example, took a Test wieket every 21 overs oo his last two Australian tours.

He has had to battle against

the feeling that he is a super-

numerary, and after taking

106 wickets in England last

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Phillip DeFreitas

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danger of anyone being scorched by the missionary zeal of the players. They realise now, 1 imagine, that they should not have contrived to get out of playing a contrived to get out of playing a limited-overs match after losing early to New South Wales in Newcastle, and there has been some filibustering in the field; but three wins in the six state matches are par for the course, and more thought has gone into making the best use of the resources available than was the case in West Indies last winter term. last winter term.

honours board, and he has Bruce French Should he feel that we fail to reward merit, it would hardly be surprising. As the better of the two wicketkeepers, he has

had to carry the drinks simply because of Richards's stronger batting. Reconciling himself to this, for the common good, is as hard as the hardest leg-side stumping, and he is finding it so. To add to the irony, he himself has been scoring runs.

David Gower More often than not, he seems only to be going through the motions. Yet in the second Test, at Perth, it was clear as soon as he came in that something within him had stirred. He played there an innings of full maturity. And for all his apparent indif-ference, no one from any country has scored more Test runs in 1986. "Put that in your

pipe and smoke it," he could

the fast bowlers. This was a say - though he wouldn't. splendid effort after the recent Allan Lamb disruptions to his career. But He must be getting worried that he has played 44 innings for England since last reaching he still tends to bowl as though three figures. Being the enthu-siast he is, and the only cricketer ever to have made Phil Edmonds
An occasionally supercilthree hundreds against a four-pronged West Indian fast attack, there is a natural

ious air disguises a caring individual. His bowling has reluctance to lose him; but be proved reliable (which could is in increasing need of some not always be said of it), if a Test runs, notwithstanding all little unimaginative. In 163 those he saves with his tireless overs in the Test matches, he fielding. has taken seven wickets; but **Jack Richards** that is oot an uncommonly Just as French's tour has slow rate for spin bowlers in Australia, and his role has had

been a great disappontment to him, so must Richards's have left him in seventh heaven. His 133 at Perth contained many fine and robust strokes. Whether he can hold on to his place without improving his wicketkeeping remains to be seen. The one-day stuff, which starts soon, will suit him. He is excellently keen.

season he was relegated too soon to the "groundstaff" category. He has a point, too. Wilf Slack A strong candidate for the Barrington Memorial Prize for Chris Broad

He has taken with both hands the opportunity the tour gave him. Successive

To have judged him, even good solid worth. Should he provisionally, on his early form in the nets was to forget to market be chosen at any time to play in a Test match, be will let no one down, and should he good solid worth. Should he be chosen at any time to play make a hundred, none would be more loudly and joyfully things that he was chosen.

heered. He has been in better form than his figures (184 runs from nine first-class innings) suggest; but Athey, once cho-sen, has done nothing to be dropped.

Gladstone Small

Another with engagingly few airs and a simple desire to give of his best. He was unlucky that the masters-incharge did not choose him to play in the third Test match at, Adelaide, but so fearful are England of falling short of runs that, to guard against doing so, they prefer to pick howlers who can bat a bit. James Whitaker

There is a candour to his battiog, based on orthodox lines, that will serve him well: indeed, it soon did when he made 108 in his first first-class innings of the tour. That he failed to take his Test chance, when Botham's injury provided him with it, was disappointing; hut there will in time be others. On this occasion, he picked the wrong ball to hit, something which the young Dexter might have done.

Peter Lush

A new member of the touring staff, he has shown himself, as the senior manager, to be better able than many to find the players' wave-length, while not becoming one of them. The clearer definition of roles that was long overdue and pre-ceded the tour has helped him, and he knows his own mind. The handling of the Gatting somnamhulism left something to be desired, but that can be put to salutary effect. Mickey Stewart

England's track-suited, gum-chewing coach-cumcricket manager never spares himself. While he gets oo with the cricket, Peter Lush sees to the administration. Stewart has established himself well enough now to use his influence to stop the working-torule that goes on as a result of the absurd agreement of only 90 overs in a Test day. It was that be would deplore such

Canberra offers testing time for Botham

England take on the Prime claim for his first cap of the Minister's XI in Canberra today series, but his fellow pace in o one-day game which has suddenly assumed great importance. Ian Botham, out of form he showed earlier in the action since tearing a rib muscle during the drawn second Test of Perth, makes his comeback, and will be the main focus of

The 31-year-old all-rounder had little trouble batting in the nets at Hobart but never bowled at above gentle medium-pace. Today should determine his prospects for the Melbourne

Van Zyl out of 'Test' series

Johannesburg (Reuter)

Corrie van Zvi, South Africa's
openium fast bowler, has withdrawn from the first unofficial
"Test" against the rebel Arrival "Test" against the rebel Austra-lian cricketers starting here to-morrow because of a stress fracture in bis left foot. The

form he showed earlier in the tour if he is to impress.

The Prime Minister's side is led by Allan Border, Australia's

captain, and the only one of their Test players in the team, though several promising youngsters, plus a number of fringe Test players are included. PRIME MINISTER'S XI: A Border (capt). O

rospects for the Melbourne Bishop, R Brown, M Dematric, B set.
Neil Foster could stake o Whitney, 12th man: M Christis.

TEAM: S J Cook, B J Whitfield, P N Kirsten, R G Poliock, C E B Rice (capitaln), K A McKertzia, O J Richardson, A J Kourle, G S Le Roux, S T Jetterles, H A Page.



Festive: Boh Hawke, Prime Minister of Australia, and Botham (Photo: Graham Morris)

Sri Lanka despair as India make highest ever Test score

Kanpur (AFP) - Mohammad Azharuddin missed what would have been a first Test double century by one run as India made their highest total of 676 for seven, but the opening match in the series against Sri Lanka predictably finished in a draw here on Monday.

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The 23 year-old Azharuddin
was out for 199 when he fell leghefore to become Ravi
Ratnayake's third lbw victim of
the day off the delivery which brought the first Test to a close, the second day of the match having been lost to rain.

Yet it was veteran Sunil Gavaskar who look the man of the match award with an un-blemished innings of 176, and in this he stretched his world record of Test centuries to 34. The Indian captain, Kapil

Dev. made 163 in adding to India'a highest-ever score, and helped reduce the tourists' bowlers to despair on a Green Park pitch at Kanpur which had

Park pitch at Kanpur which had officred them no belp.

India's previous highest Test innings was 644 for seven declared spainst the West Indies, also at Kanpur, in 1978-79.

Kapil took 165 balls to reach his 163 in 240 minutes, in which he bit 19 fours and a six, before falling to Ratnayake. He and Azharuddin were involved in a magnificent 272-run in a magnificent partnership off only 49.3 overs, which was an Indian best performance for the sixth wicket in all Test matches and a record for any wicket against Sri Lanka.

But all the delightful shots proved to be worth nothing more than practice runs for the batsmen, and new figures for the statisticians. Neither side had the chance of achieving a result once rain had begun to fall on the second day. Sri Lanka took

Scoreboard

Total (7 witts) 576

†K S More, C Sherme, B Arun, and Marrinder Singh did not bat. Restrictor Singar to find p. 2-100, 3-217, 4-380, 5-389, 6-871, 7-876. BOWLING: De Mei, 31-4-119-1; Labrooy, 35-4-184-1; Ratinayabe, 37-1-2-132-4; de Silva, 40-7-133-0; Rametunga, 15-4-58-0; Gurusinghe, 7-1-42-0; Wettimuny, 2-0-18-

most of the third day to reach India, resuming at their over-night score of 321 for three, lost starts in Nagpur on Saturday.

Gavaskar when he was caught by Sidath Wettimuny off the seam bowler Graeme Labrooy having added 28 runs to his Gavaskar had helped put on

163 for the fourth wicker with Azharuddin, who had lost an-other partner before lunch when Ravi Shastri fell leg-before by Ramayake for six, and then India were 399 for five Azharuddin completed his

fourth Test hundred by lunch and he and Kapil stepped up their punishment of the bowlers as the day continued. Ramayake alone among bowlers reaped some reward for his efforts by taking four wickets for 132 off 37.1 overs.

The first one-day inter-national will be played here on Wednesday and the second Test

Kent's concession to Dilley

contract expires at the end of the

The club's chairman, Maior Martin Ffrench Blake, ex-plained yesterday: "lt's prin-cipally with Dilley in mind that we have dug up and relaid part of the square at Canterbury in a bid to get a faster and bouncier wicket."

He added: "Of course, we desperately want him to stay and would be very sorry indeed if he left. But if he's determined to go elsewhere, there's nothing we can do about it because he's a

free agent on January 1. "However, whatever players may decide about their futures

Kent will leave no turf unturned in their attempt to bold on to their England fast bowler.

Graham Dilley, aged 27; whose Speculation is mounting that Speculation is mounting that Dilley may move, although he has said he will make no decision until he has met his county captain. Chris Cowdrey, in Sydney early in the New

> Hampshire's loss Hampshire CCC lost £5,739 last season. They blame poor weather last summer and the need to improve fire precau-tions at their Southampton sons for the losses. The clabs sponsors, TNT Tristar Parcels Express, have signed a new agreement, worth about £10,000 to Hampshire.

NORDIC SKIING

Excitement mounts as obvious winners fail

By Michael Coleman

Nothing deadens a sport more than an obvious result, all the time. To the relief of the cross-disciplines, is itself a phenomcountry skiing world, the weekend's World Cup races at Davos showed that nothing is certain any longer.

First, Gunde Svan, of Sweden, the world and Olympic champion who was beginning to acquire a reputation of being unbeatable, came fourth in the diagonal style 30 kilometres on edged out the Norwegians in the battle for third place in the skating-style 40km relay on

Svan, winner of five World Cup races last season from 15km to 50km, had mastered the two styles in which Nordic skiing is now being raced that a scason-long series of processions seemed in store this winter. He won the first two contests at Ramsau, Austria, and Cogne, Italy, but his Water-loo came in the falling snow at Davos.

Thomas Ericsson kept the Swedish morale up by snatching a one second victory over Vladimir Smirnov, of the Soviet Union, and the next day the Swedes, anchored by Svan, held off the Finns in the relay.

But only 100 metres behind the Finns came the Swiss, Andy Grünenfelder robbing the Norwegians of third place by only half a second. The gradual preference being shown by Swiss youngsters to cross-country, enon of the sport. Svan's World Cup record since the beginning of last

season, is: 1, Labrador City (15 km classical

diagonal).

1, Biwabik (30 km skating).

1, La Bresse (30km classical).

2, Bohinj (15 km skating).

1, Oberstdorf (50 km skating).

2, Laningrad (15 km skating).

2, Lahti (15 km skating). At Falun, Svan was disqualified for too many skating steps in classical style race.

1, Oslo (50km classical). 1986-7 season: 1986-7 season: 1, Ramsau (15 km skating). 1, Cogne (15 km classical).

Komora quits Budapest (Reuter) - Imre

Komora has resigned after only five mooths as manager of the Hungarian footballteam. He has been replaced by Jozsef Verebes, the manager of the successful Budapest MTK-VM club.

New manager

Mansfield Marksman Rugby League Club have appointed Jim Crellin, the former coach at Blackpool Borough, Halifax and Swinton to replace Steve Dennison, who was dismissed

A match batsmen couldn't fail in

Recent events in Australia have confirmed the old crick-eting adage that the pitch can be more important than the play-ers. There have been few better examples of this truth than the match between Cambridge Uni-versity and the powerful West Indians in 1950.

versity and the powerful West Indians in 1950.

The game was historic, not only for its total aimlessness and frastration, as seven wickets fell in the three oninterrupted days, while 1,324 runs were scored: but informed rumour had it that this contest was the final straw which led to instructions being issued to groundsmen that wickets must be prepared to give more help to the bowlers.

Such a policy, of course, is a slippery slope and the emergence of countiess "little" seamers putting the hall fractionally short of o length and letting the pitch do the rest, predictably coincided with the increasing decadence of spin bowling in general, and wrist-spin in particular.

Cambridge that year were a

Cambridge that year were a Cambridge that year were a fine batting side, one of the best perhaps in the history of university cricket, and it did not come as o total surprise when John Dewes and David Sheppard, the latter showing all the stern resolve that has brought swift advancement in the church, contributed 343 for the first wicket, amazingly in only four hours and 40 minutes; this was the highest opening stand for Cambridge, and the highest them for any side against the West Indians.

The next two batsmen, Hinbert Doggart and Peter May, were also future internationals and the rest of us ordinary mortals chipped in with sufficient supchipped in with surincent sup-port to allow declaration of lumch on the second day at 594 for four. Ramadhin's and Valentine's bowling figures read respectively nought for 86 off 20 overs and nought for 97 off 32 overs, though they were soon to be destroying the England

batting.
Christiani and Stollmeyer opened the tourists' innings and added 178 before Christiani added 178 before Christiani departed, though both batsmen were missed, as Wisden records, "... early in their innings." There was little evidence at this juncture of the mayhem to come and the "good book" failed to mention that we dropped the great Everton Weekes on 120 early in his innings. He got 304! After the dismissal of Stollmeyer, there followed what Wisden described as "... an entertaining stand" of 350 in three hours and 45 minutes between Weekes and Frank Worrell. One must add that its entertainment value decreased if

entertainment value decreased if one happened to be a member of the fielding side.

Weekes: primitive ferocity One of the most remarkable things about their blistering scoring rate was that after a time both Weekes and Worrell steadfastly refused to run between

wickets.

The ball would be blasted to all points with primitive ferocity in Weekes's case and an apologetic elegance in Worrell's that threatened life and limb. The ann-striker would muraur "Big shot, Frankie" or "Big shot, Evertoo." If the ball reached the boundary, so be it. If not, an occasional strolled single was

After a time, the humour of the situation became paramount and we arranged that, as each bowler's figures passed the dreaded century, the scorer would wave his red handkerchief and the sacrificial lamb in question would be warmly applauded by his colleagues. This caused some consternation among the gentlemen of the press, who searched diligently in order to discover what new record had been broken!

Then there was the choc-ice man. He would move briskly round the ground, plying his trade with avuncular benevo-lence and, on normal days, occasionally retrieving the ball when it came his way. May 19, 1950 1950, was not a normal day. After several near misses had been registered on the choosice man by Frankie and Everton, he

became extremely vigilant. His neck strap would be slipped, his tray duraped unceremoniously and be would swoop on the ball with the dexterity of o young Clive Lloyd to buzz it in to the keeper, while we poor fielders, searching for we poor fielders, searching for any distraction, applanded him to the echo. I often wonder what became of the choc-ice man. Energy and dedication of this

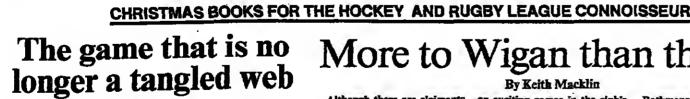
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BOWLING: Johnson 15-1-55-0; Jones 17-4-77-0; Valentine 32-3-97-0; Ramachin 20-2-88-0; Williams 12-0-2-2; Worrell 12-0-45-0; Goddard 32-2-128-2; Stoffmeyer 5-1-38-0.
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WEST INDIES: First Inclings R J Christiani Ibw b Warr
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Total (3 wits) 730

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H Johnson, K T Ramadhin, and A L

Valentiste did not der. 90 WLING: Werr 95-3-121-1; Welt 26-3-128-1; Kelland 30-0-105-1; Doggert 26-2-123-0; Rimmell 38-1-128-0; Savepson 12-0-69-0; Welts 3-0-28-0; Nay 2-0-13-0. Umpires: F S Lee and K McCanlis



Bowling

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By Sydney Friskin

hockey player, was asked bow if fell to be overtaken during an early morning hill run by James Duthie, whom Cotton had taught at school, Cotton's answer was: "Very proud of him". This simple anecdole which dwells on the concept of personal pride, concludes the book Coaching Hockey by David Whitaker who, as England's coach, now joins forces with Cotion, the new England

A gold medal for England in the 1986 World Cup Finals in London would have been a fitting reward for Whituaker, who has poured into his book the richness of his experience as an international player, as England's coach since 1980 and a Great Britain coach from 1983, having played a big part in the bronze medal success at the 1984 Olympic Games.

The World Cup portrayed hockey as a game combining athleticism, tactics and skill. It stirred the imagination of schoolboys who, in spite of England's 2-1 defeat by Australia in the final, temporarily put behind them. behind them the impact of football, preferring to be an Ian Taylor rather than a Peter Shilton and a Scan Kerly rather

than a Gary Lineker.

Such interest should be kept alive by Whitaker's book in-tended for players and coaches alike, which by and large, serves to tell the reader that hockey is oo longer a tangled weh woven £9.95.

When Bernie Cotton, a for-mer England and Great Britain hockey player, was asked bow it between teams is closing, those with stronger bodies are coming out on top.

Chris Moore re-lives the

excitement of the World Cup in his book Autumn Gold. This is his second work on hockey, which follows *Duct in the Sun* in which he dealt with the 1984 Olympic Games.

in his usual racy style, he recaptures the day to day thrills of the World Cup. leading up to the tremulous climax and also deals with the decline of the game in the Asian sub-continent. His chapter on John Crasto, the Times of India correspondent, searching for the epithets to describe India's disasters, is especially amusing.
In more serious vein, Nevill Miroy, s former honorary match secretary of the Hockey Association, rewrites the His-tory of Hockey. It presents the game from its earliest days, together with details of all important tournaments such as the Olympic Games, the World Cup, the European Cup and other tournaments, it is a must

for any sporting bookshelf.

Coaching Hockey hy David
Whittaker. The Crowood Press: £8.95. Antumn Gold, the Puma book of the 1986 World Cup hockey, by Chris Moore with photographs by Morely Pecker. The Harrow Press: £6.50 + 65pp.

The History of Hockey by Nevill Miroy. Lifeline Ltd,

More to Wigan than the pier By Keith Macklin

Although there are claimants and pretenders to the throne in places like St Helens, Leeds and Hull, there has never been any real doubt that the colliery town real doubt that the contery town of Wigaa is the heartland of rugby league. Indeed Wiganers complain that they are only remembered or recognized for having two things in the town, a small and largely disused lock known as Wigan Pier and a ready league team. regby league team.

George Orwell immortalized Wigan Pier in the famous political work when he ased the name in the title, "The Road to Wigan Pier." Wigan Rughy League cinh followers believe, however, that the real immortals are the legendary full back and goal-kicker Jim Sullivan, the try-scoring Brown Bomber, Billy Boston, the silken smooth centre three-guarter Eric Ashton, the three-quarter Eric Ashton, the einsive runner of bygone days, Johany Ring and that mighty forward, Brian McTigue.

These great names, and many others, are featured in a magnifi-cently researched labour of love cenuy researched labour of love "Wigam RLFC, 1895-1986" by Ian Morrison. It tells the tale in minute detail of how Wigan Wasps, the well-respected northern Rugby Union clab, joined the great Northern Union healthway in 1895 once played. breakaway in 1895, once played a season at the football ground, Springfield Park, now the home Wigan Athletic, and soon established themselves as one of the most powerful teams in the

There is a fascinating section devoted to contemporary reports

on exciting games in the club's history. The first game at Cen-tral Park was in 1902 when 10,000 turned up to see Wigan beat the famous Gallant Youths of Batley 14-8. Then there was the match against New Zealand in 1907, when 25,000 packed

Central Park, and Wigan beat the pioneer touring team from down under 12-8. Among the many matches recalled in this section is a particularly gripping piece about the amazing game in February 1925 when Wigan slaughtered the Cumbrian amateurs Flimby and Fothergill 116-0 in the first round of the Challenge Cop.

The proud lads from Cumber land had arrived at Central Park with an unbeaten record, and with the boast that their line had only been crossed once for a try during that season. Wigan mul-tiplied this by 24, Johnny Ring getting seven tries and the South African, Van Heerden four, with Jim Sullivan landing 22 goals.

The demoralized and dejected

Combrian amateurs went home with just one consolation, o share of n gate of £520, n considerable sum 50 years ago. The book is superbly documented throughout, with all the scores and scorers in every match since 1895-96, splendid action photographs, some vin-tage ones from the distant past,

have bestrode Central Park. Another remarkable piece of dedicated research is the

and word portraits in alphabeti-

cal order of the great names that

Rothmans Rugby League Year-book 1986-87, which has again been edited down to the minutest detail by Raymond Fletcher and David Howes and is published by Queen Anne Press at £9.95. In addition to the exhaustive research and delineation of Brit-

ish rugby league statistics, de-toils of internotional tournaments down the years, o comprehensive review of last season, special articles and innumerable photographs, there is o new feature this year which gives details of every Australian lour. After the recent visit of the Kangaroos this is a timely insertion, since there is vast interest in the Australians as the current world champions. It seems remarkable, given

these facts, to realize that there was a time when Great Britain ruled the roost, and when an Australian touring party could come to Britain, as in 1937 and come to Britain, as in 1957 and 1948, and lose nearly half their matches, including several de-feats by club sides. Perhaps the wheel will eventually turn full The first historic section of

the book reminds of some of the outstanding happenings in the game last season, with the signings of Terry Holmes and Ellery Hanley, the formation of the National Amateur League, and the end of the road for Southend Invicta and Bridgend experiments.

• Wigan RLFC, 1895-1986 by Ian Morrison, Breedon Books:

England's probables to play for their places against best of the rest

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Ideally the selectors were

Rendall, the Wasps loose-

with a realism that belies the

brash nature of his personality.

Coaching manuals are not part of his library. Doyle is his own

man and while he will readily admit that everything he does is not necessarily right, he would take a lot of convincing that it

was not right for the cause of

After five years as a successful

coach to Leinster, Doyle took over as national coach in a cloud

of controversy following the sacking of Wittie Juhn McBride, a greatly loved and much respected figure, after only

one season in charge. But the

flamboyant Doyle proceeded to win the Triple Crown and

championship, dropping only one point to France, in his first season at the helm only to prove he was not in league with the gods by losing all four inter-nationals last season.

Doyle however is very

optimistic that Ireland will bounce back this season and in

Dublin at the weekend he had this to say: The Romanian match provided an indication of what we have been trying to do; it was the first time I have seen

total synchrony between for-wards and backs. The pack worked their guts out, laid the ball back properly and didn't mess about. The backs got all the ball they wanted and

san scored the tries.

"It was simple football, what we have been training for this past two and a half years. Alright, the opposition dis-

ectively asked those players further operation. who have been the core of their early-season training lock, is being given the chance squad to play for their places to rehabilitate himself at club in the trial at Twickenham on level before being tested once January 3. Against the side more at international level, which, with one exception. his knee ligament injury havplayed against Japan two ing perhaps taken more out of mooths ago, they have placed him than he first realized. the best XV produced by the divisional champiooship looking at Redman as their

froot jumper, but oow he will which ended on Saturday. That gives Mike Harrisoo occupy the place in which he jumps for club and division. the chance to add to his laurels as captain of an unbeaten Morrison's challenge will Yorkshire and the North, by come from Pinnegar who, leading the Rest — which with Rose, his Wasps colinclades six of his colleagues league, played consistently from the side that won the well throughout the divisional Thorn EMI divisional chamchampionship in a London side which ended in bottom

The selectors have tried to place. keep together the northern Macfarlane, the Fylde backs who played so well No. 8, has edged out Egertoo against Loodoo on Saturday. from the Rest XV which is blending with them the exciting talents of Webb and Oi. and giving them an old head at

and giving them an old head at the helm in Harding.

That is a fair decision. The England XV played well in the Emission in the Gath, R Hell Gath, Capt; G Chicott (Bath), B Macore (Nothingham), G Chicott (Bath), B Macore (Nothingham), D Hichards to the an understable claim to staked an undeniable claim to staked an undeniable claim to a place in the Five Nations championship. Now is their chance to demonstrate the individual and collective skills which the North have promulgated so freely over the last three weeks.

The selectors' hand has been forced at lock forward, where there have been so many injuries. Io their choice for the trial their fingers will

for the trial their fingers will remain crossed that Colclough hard on the Bath man: he had will have recovered fitness two good divisional games, after a glandular ailment, and but a less effective match that the Bath pair of Redman against Richards when the and Morrison, have recovered south west played the Midfrom knocks sustained playing lands at Leicester last weekfor the South-West against the end. Macfarlane is promoted Midlands on Saturday.

oo the basis of one good game, Redman ended that game and good reports from Cumwith a damaged shin, but still bria and Fylde. Hereceives a hopes to play for the Barbarians against Leicester on since the Barbarians have

Saturday.

Morrisoo, aged 23, the forinjured Gibson (Londoo Irish)
mer Loughborough Univeragainst Leicester, where he sity lock who has appeared at will play opposite Richards. uoder-19, Student, under-23 and B level for England, is the head prop, has also withdrawn only change in the England from the Barbarians team side for the trial. The second-because of a hamstring injury row pairing against Japan was and it will be a race against Redman and Bainbridge, but time to ensure his fitness for the latter has a hamstring the trial. He is due to prop iojury, and is unlikely to play Dawe io the Rest XV, who is again until the New Year. somewhat fortunate to be

hard men

reach final

By Chris Thau

There are two schools of thought in French rugby. The supporters of the French na-

tional coach, Jacques Fouroux,

advocate the development of a

giant "bone crusher" oo the lines of the 1977 Grand Slam

pack, an option amply illus-trated by the display of forward power in the second Test against

the All Blacks in Nantes.
The exponent of the other

school of thought, Toulouse RFC, are ready and willing to challenge the view of the

establishment with their excit-ing brand of running rugby in the final of the France Clubs

tournament against the Roma-

nians from Constanta in Tou-

Toulouse play the French version of total rugby as preached by Pierre Villepreux.

the former international full-

back, It is a game based on the

polished skills of their players, and speed of action and foot, but

mainly on an unusually high degree of tactical awareness of

tt is a game of total freedom

and creativity
TOULOUSE: J Dupuy: A Bonnevel, O
Codorniou, O Charvet, H Lecomte, P
Rouge-Thomas, M Lopez, S Leare, P
Soula, T Portolem, T Maset, J-M Giraud, B
Courses, K Janik (capit), A Cigena.
CONSTANTA: G Prorect M 7oader, A
Lunge, G Varga, N Diru, R Bezuscu, Vion,
F Opris, E Grigora, O Prisecaru, E Necute,
3 Constantin, S Galan, V Gruglea, G
Durnitru (capit).

Toulouse set up.

and creativity

Eogland's selectors have eff- indeed he may require a there ahead of Fenwick (Durham City) and Brain, Eng-Dooley, the other Fylde land's first-choice hooker in their last 11 games.

> Neither Harding nor Oti appeared in the divisional championship, Harding be-cause he is in direct conflict with Hill, England's captain. He woo three caps last year and his consistency remains one of Bristol's outstanding virtues. Oti was preparing with Cambridge University for the anoual encounter with Oxford on the first weekend of the championship, and the Midlands, for whom he is qualified, preferred their England squad wings, Evans and

However, his speed and strength have won him many friends, both at Durham and Nottingham where he now plays his club rugby. Indeed Carling, who has won his way to this level without playing any senior club rugby at all, was placed at full back in his first year at Durham because was the only one fast enough to support Oti

The understanding they cootrived then may serve them stand them in good stead now, as well as the link between Simms and Carling which was first established in the England Schools side of 1983. The following year Carling succeeded Simms as

The trial will form part of a squad weekend, the players plus a dozen replacements meeting on January and completing the weekend on January 4. Martin Green, the England coach, will prepare the senior side, and Des Seabrook his fellow selector, will do the same for the Rest.

It remains to be seen whether the 11 Bath players required will turn out for their club against Cardiff - or the seveo Wasps against Rosslyn Park — on New Year's Day, two days before the trial, but there has to come a time when the considerations of the national side become paramouot, and a fortnight before the first international of the Romania's Doyle preaching the simple method

circumstances.
"I reckon we would have

beaten most sides on the day and

it would have taken a very very good side to have lived with us.

There was a lot of things in that

match that gave me a lot of satisfaction and I was really

proud that that team produced that score and that their disci-pline and commitment was such that they did not concede a point.

Ollie Campbell, I thought, Summed it up well when he said most teams hit a purple patch for a spell during a match but that team hit a purple patch

The Irish selectors have taken

the unprecedented step of requesting an additional seven

sessions next month in prepara

nion for the opening inter-national against Wales in Cardiff, on January 17 (George

Called up for the weekend

stint on January 3 and 4, and on Sunday January 11 are: P Hay-



Webb's trial signals change

At 6ft 2in he looks a lanky

character but that spare frame is

deceptive; he carries some 13st around when it comes to tack-ling. There was nothing missing in the divisional game at Bath

when London created all sorts of

pressure positions in the second

quarter but their attacks foun-dered upon Webb's positioning for all their tactical kicks.

His nutstanding strength, however, and the one he admits to eajoying most, is his speed into the line and ability to find a

everything into perspective. I think that win over Romania has

brought it home to the lads that

15-man regby is their game and it has proved to them that they

can play it.
"I am very optimistic about

our chances and though we lost all our matches last season I thought we played our best rugby since I took over as coach two years ago against Scotland last March. That was a match

we certainly didn't deserve to iose and I also thought we were unlucky to lose against Wales. In fact, I reckon we were as

mlack, I rection we were as mlacky last season when we were whitewashed as we were lacky the previous season when we won the Triple Crown and

championship.

"Wales will provide a tough

opening hardle but I think we will do well I know, Millar

knows, and the players know we can play a brand of rugby that will win matches. If Romania did

will win matches. If Romania did nothing else it boosted the confidence of the players. I met Bill Beaumout recently at a rugby seminar and he said 'that was a super result you got against Romania. I don't care

what the opposition was like, it takes a very good team to run out that number of points."

On the World Cap, Doyle was

brief and to the point. See me after the last match in the Five Nations championship. That is my main concern right now. If Ireland realise the high hopes of Doyle it may be prodent not to look him up for a week or so

BASKETBALL

The selection of Jon Webb, Bristol's full back, for the England trial, may mark an end to the experiment of playing converted stand-off halves in that position. Footballers Haw Davies and Peter Williams may be, but their positioning and defensive qualities must match their vision for the attacking

Webb, aged 23, has shown this season that he possesses both. He had his advocates in the new year his game declined slightly. His authoritative play this season brought him to the replacements' bench in the diional championship and, after coming on in the game against the North, he has seized his chance with alacrity.

"My biggest surprise is that he didn't get in the side straight away," Mike Rafter, the Bristol coach, said, "He worked particularly hard, pre-season, on his fitness and pace and it's all come good for him."

Webb himself is also prepared to give credit to Ralph Knibbs, his club centre, who returned from England's squad training

have faith absolute in him.
"He is probably the only gay I

could work with and have a

really harmonious relationship. I am a bit of an individual and I

tend to do things the way I feel I should rather than from any laid down coaching methods. He

Doyle acotched widespread

rumours that he will carry on for

another year as coach. "I am

going to put everything I have got into this team next year and a little more. Then I am going to take a break and settle down. I

(Blackrock), J Holland (Cork

R Duncan (Malone), D Morrow

The most significant name

here is that of David Morrow. The Bangor No 8 was a replacement for last Saturday's trial

after Michael Gibson had pulled out with a hand mjury.

Morrow won three caps last season and was voted Ulster

Mick Doyle, the Irish coach, appeared halfway through the forward play isn't worth knowby the Sunday evening at the completion of our training ses-

that team hit a purple patch every minute.'

"We have a squad training session on the weekend of January 3 and 4 when I will have Syd Millar working again with me. Syd, as you know, will be the team manager at the World Cup and he is a man I have the greatest respect for. What he doesn't know about tactics and

Irish select Morrow

Sunday January II are: P Haycock (Terenure), D Irwin
outstanding game for Ulster
(Instonians). J Langbroek against Munster he was dropped.

(Bangor).

gap. Those virtues were seen to great advantage playing for the in Portugal two months ago with variations in training which he Combined England Studen against Japan at Oxford in October and Chris Oti, who scored four tries that day, was the direct beneficiary. Oti will be has passed on to the cimb backs.

Webb is a fifth-year medical student at Bristol University and hopes to find a position in the same area at the end of this academic year. Born in London he comes from a medical family and spent the first 10 years of his life in India, before the family returned home and he went to the Royal Grammar School in Newcastle, where he came under the guidance of Juhn Elders, the former England coach. has passed on to the cinb backs. playing with him again in the

trial.

He is also a goal-kicker, though his range may be limited at the moment. He has only recently become Bristol's kicker those duties having rested early in the season with Simon Hogg, but when Hogg's kicking became erratic, three other players were asked to practise, Webb among them, and be proved the best of the bunch.

That may be the result of

best of the bunch.

That may be the result of Webb's involvement with A group at Bristol University which holds regular seminars on the psychology of sport. There is no doubting the positive thinking behind his approach to the game and no doubting his enjoyment of his current rise in the rankings. He is also sufficiently mature

to know how best to take advantage of it — maybe that derives from an involvement with medicine which tends to give a valuable perspective on life.

Wood to coach students

Ted Wood, whose name has been so long associated with rugby excellence at Durham University, is to coach the Combined England Students side (David Hands writes).

Wood, the domestic bursar at the College of St Hild and St Bede, has watched a variety of his students – among them Pe-ter Warfield, Marcus Rose, Mark Bailey and Francis Clough - go on to play inter-

national rugby. Wood handed over responsibility for Durham University to Peter Dixon this season, and now coaches Durham City. He succeeds John Robins, the for-mer British Lions coach, who prepared the combined side last season, the first in which a fully-representative student side took

Rohins remains the chairman of selectors, having looked after the side which played the Japanese in October.

Carling ruled out

London Weish are resigned to the fact that Will Carling, the Durham University centre, cannot play for them during their demanding holiday sequence of four matches in little over a week. Carling, whose father played at prop for Cardiff, was keen to make his London Welsh debut, but is unavailable for the Boxing Day match at Llanchi and the game at Swansea the following day.

win at home to Ascoli. Two
points behind them are their
neighbours, AC Milan, who won
2-I at Roma, both goals coming
from Virdis. This match was impetus Maradona derived from leading Argentina to victory in the World Cup has played a huge part in Napoli's success this season. Maradona himself must be conscious of the fact something of a tactical showsomething of a tactical show-down between two generations of Swedes — Nils Liedholm, the 64-year-old manager of Milan, and his opposite number at Roma, Sven Eriksson, aged 38. In Spain Barcelona remain a point clear of Real Madrid after a 3-1 win over Real Madrid after a 3-1 win over Real Madrid after which included a typically opportunist goal from Gary Lineker. Real Madrid had the pleasure of a trip to the Camary Islands, where an own goal by Rodriquez gave them victory over Las Palmas.

The French season started its that his contract with Napoli runs only until June 1988 – the jockeying for his services from that date has already begun – and that they could well repre-sent his best chance of winning

According to Italo Allodi, Napoli's general manager, this was the most beautiful match of

by superb performances from

Sampdoria's young forwards, Mancini and Vialli. There were

two goals for Vialli, one for Mancini and another for

Briegel, the West German

Javentus's recent decline

they have slipped to fourth in the

table - has coincided with the rise of Inter Milan, who stay second after a comfortable 3-0

international.

one of the European club com-Como have been one of Italian football's mexpected success stories this season but they were quite unable to contain a rampant Napoli in the first half of their match in which two goals from Caffarelli all but settled the

FOOTBALL

Year of Maradona

ends only for

another to begin

World football by Simon O'Hagan

If 1986 was the year Diego Maradona finally fulfilled all

his dazzling potential on the international scene, 1987 could

mark his greatest triumph at

into the New Year two points clear at the top of the Italian championship after their 2-1 win over Como on Sunday, a result which extended the club a management.

beaten run this season to 13 matches and again showed that they have the ability to win their

There is no doubt that the

first Italian title.

Maradona and Napoli will go

Over Las Fainus.

The French season started its two-month mid-season break with Olympique Marseilles and Bordeaux still the teams to There were 21 goals scored in the Italian league — an ava-lanche by normal standards. The day's top scorers were catch. In matches that smacked of storing up for winter both drew 0-0, at Laval and Toulon respectively. Marseilles lead Bordeaux on goal difference but ioria, whose 4-1 win over Javentus undertined the champinos' erratic form.

OVERSEAS RESULTS

ARGENTINE: Ferro Carril Ceste 3, Boca Juniors 0; Velez Sarsfield 2, Deportivo Italiano 0; Platense 1, Racing (Cordoba) 1; Estudiantes de la Plata 3, Racing Club 0; Newell's Old Boys 1, Tellenes (Cordoba) 0; Recentral 2, Instituto (Cordoba) 2; Independienta 1, Gamnasia Engunta La Plata 0; River Plata 2, Argentinos Juniors 1; Union 0, Deportivo Espanol 0; San Lorenzo de Almagro 1, Tempertey 0, Leading positions: 1, Nevell's Cid Boys, pleved 24, 31 points; 2, Independiente, 24, 30; 3, Sen Lorenzo de Almagro, 24, 28.

BELGIAN: Ghent 0, Anderlecht 3; Berthem 1, Cercle Bruges 1; Seraing 0, FC Liège 1; Kortnijk 0, Antwerp 3; Molenbesk 1, Wieregem 1; Cherlerol 0, Mochelen 2; Club Bruges 2, Racing Jet 2: Baerschot 0, Lokeren 3; Standard Liège 1, Beveren 2, Leading positions: 1, Ander-lecht, played 16, 27 points; 2, Chrb Bruges, 16, 24; 3, FC Maltines, 16, 24,

FRENCH: Names 3, Rennes 1; Laval 0, Marseile 0; Auserre 2, Toulouse 1; Brest 0, Paris Saint-Germein 0; RC Paris 1, Nancy 0; Life 3, Le Havre 2; Leeding positions: 1, Marseille, played 23, 32 points; 2, Bordesax, 22, 31; 3, Monaco, 22, 28,

GREEK: Panethinsikos 1, AEK Athens 1; Verris 3, Larissa 0; Apollon 0, loannina 2; Aris Salonika 0, Pamorios 0; Ethnikos 1, Dosa Drama 4; Olympiekos 4, Diagoras 0; OFI Crete 3. Kelemaria 0; Irakiis 1, PAOK Salonika 1. Leeding positions: 1, Olympiarkos, played 11. 16; points; 2, PAOK Salonika, 11, 16; 3, OFI Crete 11, 16.

LEAGUE OF INELAND: Athlone Town 1, Limerick City 2; Bray Wanderers 1, Bohemians 3; Cork City 1, Waterford United 2; Galway United 1, Dundalk 2; St Patricks Athletic 1, Sigo Rovers 0. ITALIAN: Atalanta 1, Avellino 1; Bresca 1, Verona 1; Empoli 0, Udinese 0; Inter Mijan 3, Ascoli 0; Napoli 2, Como 1; Roma 1, AC Millon 2; Samportorie 4, Junetus 1; Torina

Chigwell's chance to extend sequence:

By George Chesterton The end of the autumn term brings the close of the football turn to other sports, Repton to bockey, Shrewsbury to rugby, and Eton and Winchester to their own individual brands of football. A few, like Chigwell and Westminster, stay mainly with football, and are joined by a group of Lent term football schools. Harrow, Haileybury, and Rugby are among these. Chigwell were the only team to retain an unbeaten record in schools matches, a record which now goes back three-and-a-half Repton St Edmund's years. Highgate, with nine successive wins in the first half of term, were not quite able to Strewsbury OE, Guernsey OBSS, B'burn Wellingboro' Westminster Winchester

match this, particularly after an injury to Ziad Nashnush. Bradfield did rather better than they had feared with a young side, eight of whom should return next year. Ardingly only lost one match in the second half of term, the highlight of the season being their 2-0 victory over Lancing. Georgio Fagarazzi had 14 goals to his credit.

John Lyon School lost their way somewhat in mid-term but thanks to a solid defence have only lost four of their 19 matches. Kimbolton had a some-what disappointing term and but for Simon Browne in goal they might well have fared worse. Charterhouse won half their matches which with C D Jenkins their only colour returning, was rather better than expected. Millfield have not enjoyed as good a season as usual, but the success of their under-16 XI bodes well

The following table gives an autumn term record of interschool matches played by in-

1.11

FA Trophy draw Altripcham, holders of the FA

Trophy, could face an awkward alloted them a trip to the winners of the Maidstone versus Wealdstone replay, which takes place on Sunday. Runcorn, last scason's runners-up, also have a difficult assignment at Yeovil, while Scarborough, the GM Vauxhall conference leaders are at home to Sutton. All matches are to be played on January 24. SECOND ROUND DRAW: Bromsgrove Rovers v Fareham Town: Bryth Spartans v Beth City: Barnet v Hitchin Town or Boretism Wood: Nueston Boro v Gateshead: Kidderminster Harriers or Mossley v Worthing: Wycombe Wanderers or Leatherhead v Avlesbury Litd; Barrow or Whitley Bay v Gainsborough Trinity or Southbank: Daganham v Marrins; Wealdstone or Maidstone Utd v Altrincham; Scarborough v Sutton Litd; Corby Town or Ashford Town v Weiling Utd; Newcastle Blue Star v Merthyr Tydit or Dartford; Yeorid v Runcorn; Cambridge City v Boston Litd; Biahops Stortford v Cheltentham Town; Burton Abion v Berkling or Weymouth at home to Sutton. All matches

SQUASH RACKETS

Beeson to lead England

the InterCity national title last month, will spearhead an England team who are favourites to retain the home international title in Cardiff in mid-January. eson, from Northumber land, will be joined by Martin Bodimeade, the EnglandNo. 3, who plays for Berkshire, Jamie Hickox of Surrey, Neil Harvey of Essex. David Pearson of Lancashire, and Paul Carter of

Carter, aged 23, from Potters Bar, who with Bodimeade won the British doubles title last week, will make his international debut.

Bryan Beeson, who captured Ross Norman, the New Zealander who ended the five-year unbeaten run of Pakistan's Jahangir Khan to become world champion in Toulouse last month, has had a remarkable year crowned by finishing top of the World Grand Prix rankings. But he won by only 300 points. with seven wins from 13 tournaments. Jahangir had the same

SNOW REPORTS

Depth (cm)

naments. Jahangir had the same number of wins from nine. WORLD GRAND PROX STANDENGS: 1, R Noman (NZ) 6,937pts; 2, Lehengir Khen (Pak) 6,608; 3, S Devemport (NZ) 3,388.5; 4, R Thome (Aus) 2,944.3; 5, P Kenyon (Eng) 2,908; 6, C Robesteon (Aus) 2,520.3; 7. Trisian Nancarrow (Aus) 2,142.2; 8, Camer Zaman (Pak) 2,078.3; 9, G Briers (Eng) 1,888; 10, Hiddy Jehan (Eng) 1,765.1;

roads, sight snow; main roads, clear; snow level, 2000 feet. Glensheet upper runs, some runs complete, new snow chitting (at the time); middle runs, some runs complete, new snow chitting (at the time); lower stopes, some runs complete, new snow drifting (at the time); were snow, snow at all levels. Glencon (weekends orly); poper runs, complete, windows with loy patches; lower slopes, runs complete but namow windowst with loy patches; verifical runs, 1400 feet; hit roads, clear; main roads, clear; snow level, 1000 feet. Lecht upper runs, some runs complete, new NATIONAL CONFERENCE HNew York Giants
HWesh Fledskins
Dales Cowboys
Philadelphia Eagles
St Louis Candinale
Central division †Chicago Bears
Minnesota Vikings
Detroit Lions
Green Bay Packers
Tampa Bay Busing

AMERICAN FOOTBALL UNITED STATES: National League (NFL):
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Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

Salvo of Christmas rockets from Santa Alf

Alf Garnett fans get an unexpected bonus tonight in the shape of a special Christmas edition of In Sickness and in Health (BBC1, 9.30pm). I should warn you that it is so characteris-tically pro-Garnett that it cannot avoid being anti-Christmas. It is not recommended, therefore, to any viewer who cannot admit the possibility that, at a time of the year when shop tills ring more clamorously than church bells, the patron saint of the season of good is St Michael and not St Nicholas. It was a stroke of genius on the part of Alf Garnett's creator, Johnny Speight, to chose a Santa Claus grotto in a department store as the launching pad from which his anguished creation can launch his missiles at a mad, mad, world of gift grabbers. Never before, surely, can that familiar red robe, and those benign, white whiskers

have coocealed such a concentration of malevolence.

• If the sourness of In Sickness and in Health is not the flavour you prefer in Christmas week, let you prefer in Christmas week, at me remind you of some of the more palatable dishes on offer today. There is the repeated second instalment of John Masefield'a The Box of Delights (BBC1, 5.00pm), superbly adapted for television, and marred only by for television, and marred only by some inelegant enimated se-quences. There is Korda'a version of The Jungle Book (BBC1, 2.05pm), infinitely better than Disney's, and much more respect-ful of Kipling. And, from much further back in the movie past, there is the grandfather of all phantom thrillers, the Lon Chaney version of The Phantom of the Opera (BBC2, 12.50pm). As for Duvivier's The Great Waltz

(Channel 4, 2.30pm), I still find it irresistibly charming, although it takes unpardonable liberties with the life of Johann Strauss. Hitchcock's North by Northwest (BBC1, 10,00pm) has two of the best set pieces he ever filmed — the ordeal by crop sprayer, and the cliff-hanging tussle on Mount Rushmore. Joaeph L. Mankiewicz's Guys and Dolls (Channel 4, 8.30pm) has some great songs, but it lacked the sure touch of a Minnelli and is not therefore a manually Holly. therefore a memorable Hollywood musical.

 Other television highlights tonight: the final instalment of All Passion Spent (BBC2, 9.40pm) which I believe is unfolding too sedately for some people's taste, but pleases me immensely; and the final of The Krypton Factor (ITV, 7.00pm), a knock-out com-

BBC 2

9.00 Ceefax.
12.25 Gharber.
12.50 Film: The Phentom of the Opera* (1925) starring Lon Chaney as the mad, disfigured musician who turee e beautiful young singer to his subterranean lair. Directed by

Rupert Julian.
2.05 The Adventures of Afanti. The

comic story of the Chinese folk hero, Afanti, set in the western China republic of Xinjiang. Starring Tuylkun. (r) 3.20 Twist the Cat's Whisker. Tom

O'Connor celebrates 64 BBC years in the company of, amongst others, Alan Freeman, Stuart Hall, Harry Worth, and Godfrey Talbot. (first shown on BBC North Worth

West)
3.50 News, regional news and

weather.

4.00 Film: Yellow Cenary* (1943)
starring Anna Neagla, Richard
Greene, and Margaret
Rutherford. Second World War
spy thriller about Sally
Maittand, sent to Canada
because of her Nazi
sympathies, who, on the boat

sympathies, who, on the boat over, meets a young Englishman and e Polish

refugee. Directed by Herbert

Australian's year - e great success despite losing three of the four major titles when having held the lead in each of

5.35 Greg Norman's Golfing Year. Peter Alliss recalls the

6.25 Film: That Touch of Mink

petition which, as I have said before, has me on the ropes as much as the competitors.

 Music highlights on radio: Julian Budden's comparison of many singers' performances of Verdi's Otello in Interpretations on Record (Radio 3, 5.00pm), and the BBC Scottish SO playing Stravinsky's The Firebird (Radio 3, 1.20pm). Without any question, the day's spoken word highlight is Anthony Minghella's Two Planks and a Passion (Radio 3, 7.30pm) which is a spectacular account of bootlicking in a 14th century York in the grip of Corpus Christi pageant fever. Its language swings giddily between the outrageously vulgar and the quasi-Shakespear-ean historical. Its cast is a director's dream.

Peter Davalle



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Krypton Factor finalists: Kenneth Tait, John Miers, David Kemp, Peter Gardiner. In centre: Virginia Leng, 1985 celebrity special winner (ITV, 7.00pm)

BBC1 6.00 Ceefax AM. 6.30 News headlines followed by The Flintstones. Cartoon series. (r) 6.55 Weather. 7.00 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Jeremy Paxman. National and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 6.30; regional news and travel at 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; weather at 7.35, 7.55 and 8.25. 8.40 Watchdon Lynn Faulds Wood

at 7.35, 7.55 and 8.25.
8.40 Watchdog. Lynn Faulds Wood and John Stapleton investigate consumer complaints 6.55 Regional news and weather.
9.00 News and weather 9.05 Paddington. (r) 9.10 Play Chess. Improve your game, with Bill Hartston 9.20 A Charlie Brown Christmas. (r) 9.45 London Snow. Part one of the Paul Theroux story, read the Paul Theroux story, read 10.00

by Elizabeth Spriggs.
News and weather 10.05
Neighbours. (r) 10.25
Children's BBC. Paul Schofield
with children's programmes
details, and birthday greetings
10.30 Play School. 10.50 Willo the Wisp. (r) 10.55 Five to Eleven, Joanna Lumley with a thought for the day 11.00 News and weather 11.05 The Dukes of Hazzard. Bo and

Duke come to aid of Boss Hogg who is threatened by the machinations of his treacherous nephew.

11.55 Junior Kick Start. The second heat of the motorcycle trials competition for the young.
12.20 A Song for Christmes
The aemifinal of the 1986
Christmas Carol

competition.12.55 Regional news and weather. 1.00 One O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis, Weather 1.25 Neighbours, Paul longs for e life of adventure 1.50 Pigeon

Street. (r) 2.05 Film: The Jungle Book (1942) starring Sabu end Joseph Callela. Zoltan Korde's version of the Kipling story about tha Indian boy reared by wolves. Jimbo and the Jet Set 4.00 Pento-time! Aladdin, written by and starring Brian Cant 4.10

Yogi Bear's All-Star Comedy
Christmas Caper 4.35 Grange
Hill. (r) (Ceefax)
5.00 The Box of Desights. Part two
of the three-episode
dramatization of John
Masefield's story. (r) (Ceefax)
6.00 Six O'Clock News with
Nicholas Witchell and Andrew
Harvey. Weather.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 Telly Addicts. This year's
champions, the Reynish family
from Swansea, tackle e team
of professionals comprising
Nina Myskow, Barry Took,
Larry Grayson, and Michael
Grade.

Larry Grayson, and Michael
Grade.
7.30 EastEnders. Charlie Cotton
tries to off-load Den's dodgy
watches in the market.
(Ceefax)
8.00 A Question of Sport presented
by David Coleman. Emlyn
Hughes and Bill Beaumont are
joined by Les Dawson, Leo
Sayer, Leslie Grantham, and
Su Pollard. (Ceefax)
8.30 Kenny'e Christmas Cracker.
Zany sketches from Kenny
Everett and music from

Everett and music from Spandau Ballet, 9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Julia Somerville and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather. 9.30 In Sickness and In Health. Alf,

after shattering a few youngsters illusiona while standing in as Father Christmas at e local store, insuits his neighbour and his daughter. (see Choice) 10.00 [Film: North by Northwest (1959) starting Cary Grant, Eve Marie Saint, and James Mason. A thriller in which Grant plays Thornhill, an advertising executive who is mistakenly kidnapped by e

can prove his story. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock.

(1962) starring Cary Grant and Doris Dey. Romantic comedy ebout e sweet young thing who falls for a millionaire after his chauffeur-driven limousine sprays her with mud. Directed mysterious espionage organisation, Failing to by Dethert Mann.

8.00 Herrag - The Herring Guil.

The story of the first five years of a herring guil, born on the island of Steep Holm in the Bright Channel convince the men of his identity Thombill narrowly escapes death before setting off to find the one man who

9.00 Moonlighting. Maddie and
David are on a case invloving a
Mary, a Joseph, and three men
named King when the
receptionist, Ms Dispesto, arrives holding a babe in her

and final part of the dramatization of Vita Sackville-West's story, and Lady Slane is enjoying herself with her new-found friends after years of dutiful obedience to her late statesman husband. But Fitzgeorge, the millionaire art collector, has a problem for her that only she can solve. (Ceefax) 10.35 Pavarotti's Jublice. Highlights

of a concert recorded at Madison Squara Garden, New York, celebrating Luciano Pavarotti's 25 years as a professional singer. With Madelyn Reynee (soprano) and the American Symphony Orchestra conducted by Emerson Buckley. 12.30 Weather.

ITV/LONDON

6.15 TV-azi: Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; financial news at 6.35; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; axercisea at 6.55; cartoon at 7.25; pop music at 7.55; and Jeni Barnert'a postbag at 6.35. At 9.00 Thrmy Mallet Introduces Wacaday.

Wacaday.
Thames news headines followed by Film: The Magic of Dr Snuggles (1984) An arimated film about a kindly old inventor who lives with a badger, e mouse and a bird. 10.40 The Electric Grandmother. Tom, Timothy and Agatha are depressed efter the death of their mother.

Their father tries his best to Their father tries his best to make them happy but it is not until they find an advert offering a 30-day trial of an 'electric grandmother' that they begin to perk up.

11.25 Return of the Monster Trucks.
A car-crushing, drag racing pectacular. 12.00 Nymphs and Shepherds. The 1975 reunion of the Manchester schoolchiktren's choir that

schoolchildren's choir that recorded the classic version of Percell'a Nymphs and Shepherds in 1929, (r) 12.30 The Sullivans. Drama serial about en Australian family during the Forties. News at One 1.20 Thames

1.30 Film: Raise the Titanic (1980) starring Jason Robards, Richard Jordan, and Alec Guinness, Adventure varn about the race between various super powers to locate the wreck of the Titanic in order to salvage a supposed cargo of byzanium, the vital ingredient for the ultimite nuclear deterrent. Directed by Jerry Jameson. (Oracle) 3.35 Bugs Buriny 3.40 Thames news headlines 3.45 The Young Doctors. Medical drama serial set in a large Australian city hospital 4.15 ice Skating. The St Ivel Christmas Gala from Richmond Ice Rink, introduced by Nick Owen, with commentary by Simon Reed. 5.15 Blockbusters. General knowledga quiz game for teenagers, presented by Bob

Holness. 5.45 News 6.00 Thames news. 6.35 Crossroads.

7.00 The Krypton Factor. The final of the tenth competition.
Kenneth Tait from Aberdeen, John Miers from Culross, David Kemp from Whitstable, and Peter Gardiner from Playbox. and Peter Gardiner from Bloxham, compete in tests of mantal agility, observation, intelligence, general knowledge, physical ability, and response. Presented by Gordon Burns. (Oracle)

7.30 Christmas with George and Mildred. Mildred lands the part of an Ugly Sister in the Hampton Wick Players' version of Cinderella, e role described by Georga as typecating. Starring Yootha Joyce and Brian Murphy. (r) 6.00 Des O'Connor Tonight. Among the guests are Tom Jones, Shirley Bassey, and Freddie

Starr. 9.00 Film: Firefox (1982) starring Climt Eastwood. Thriller about an ex-Vietnam War air ace who is brought out of retirement in order to steal e super-plane developed by the Russians, it is capable of flying at sbx times tha speed of sound, is undetectable by radar, and capable of carrying nuclear arms, Directed by Clint Eastwood, (continues after the

news)
10.00 News followed byb Thames news headlines.

10.15 Film: Firefox continued.

11.50 Joy to the World. A celebration of Christmas music with young

chorister David Pickering. With, amongst others students of the Royal Northern College of Music. (r) 12.40 Christmas Night Thoughts.



Des O'Connor, Shirley Bassey and Tom Jones in a special Christmas edition of Des O'Connor Tonight (ITV, 8.00pm)

CHANNEL 4

2.30 Film: The Great Waltz* (1938) starring Fernand Gravet. A romantized biography of Johan Strauss, set in the ballrooms and beer gardens of Vienna. With Luise Rainer as his peolected wife and Miliza neglected wife and Miliza Korjus as the bewitching soprano, Carle Donner, with whom he falls in love. Directed

by Julian Duvivier. 4.25 Film: It's a Wonderful World* (1939) starring James Stewart and Claudette Colbert. A comedy thriller about Guy Johnson, a young private detective hired to look efter e playboy millionaire. After Johnson finds his charga standing over a dead woman with a smoking gun in his hand Johnson is framed for the

Johnson is trained for the murder, but with the help of Edwina Corday he goes in search of the real killer. Directed by W.S. Van Dyke II. 6.00 Cathedral Praise from Gloucester Cathedral. A multicultural mixture of traditional and Afro-Caribbean music, reflecting the community of Gloucester. With the choirs of the Gospel Churches of Gloucester, the London All-Stars Steel Band, and Ashanti

6.50 Journey into History. Made in 1952, this film travels back in 1952, this him travels back in time to the England of Hogarth, Gainsborough, Robert Adam and Captain Cook, showing outstanding examples of their work from Syon House to Greenwich.

7.00 Channel 4 News with Peter

Sissons and Christabel King includes a profile of Bentzir
Bhutto - is she still a political
force in Pakistan? Weather.

8.00 Brookside. Damon tries to
dissuade Gail from going to the

Grants party by telling her it is for old fogey family only, but she turns up, uninvited, all the same. Meanwhile, Rod becomes something of a local hero when he captures a teenage burglar 8.30 Film: Guys and Dolls (1955)

starring Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons, Frank Sinatra, and Vivian Blaine. Lively musical, based on the Damon Runyon stories, about a flash New York gambler who, looking for cash to finance new headquarters for his celebrated dice game, bets thet he can persuade e lady Salvation Army sergeant to holiday with him in Havana.

Directed by Joseph L 11.15 Comedians Do It On Stage. Highlights from an evening of laughter and music in aid of Dr Rob Buckman'a Oncology Club Fund. Among the many talented people who gave ther services are French and saunders, Neil Innes, Michael Palin, Victoria Wood, Smith and Jones, Richard Stilgoe, Rory McGrath, and tha Trinity College Swing Band. Ends at 12.40.

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES 5.35pm-7.00 Wales To-day. 12.15sm-12.20sm News and waster. SCOTLAND 6.25sm-7.00 Report-ing Scotland. NORTHERN IRELAND 6.00pm-5.10 Cameo. S.10-5.36 The Finistones. 5.35-5.00 Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside U-ster 6.35-7.00 A Taste of Ulster: Christmas Song 12.20-12.25 News and weather: ENG-LAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazine A NCSL 1A. As London except. ANGLIA As London except: 12 30-1.00 (Look Who's Tallding 1.20 News 5.15-5.45 Diff rent Strokes 6.00-6.35 About Angla 12.40e Sounds Like Christmas, Closedown. BORDER As London except: 1.20pps-1.30 Border News 3.45 Sons and Daughters 6.00-6.35 Looker-ound 12.40am Closedown. CENTRAL As London except: 12:30pm-1.80 Gerdening Time 1:20-1:30 News 6:00-8:35 News 12:40e Jobinder 1:40 Closedown.

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HTV WEST As London except:
1.20pm-1.30 News 6.00-6.36 News 12.40am Something's Coming, Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-6.35 Wales at Six 12.45em Closedown.



Victoria Wood: C4, 11.15pm

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Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons, Frank Sinatra, Vivian Blaine:

Guys and Dolls (Channel 4, 8.30pm)

MF (medium wave), Stereo on VHF (see below)
News on the half-hour from 6.30mm until 8.30mm then at 16.00 and 12.00 midnight.
5.30mm Adrian John 7.00 Mike Smith a Breakfast Show. (search for Santa in Langing 9.30 Smith a Breaktast Show, (search for Santa in Leptend) 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30 Newsbeet (lan Parkinson) 12.45 Gary Davies (Top 40 singles) 3.00 Dave Lee Travia 5.30 Newsbeat (lan Parkinson) 5.45 Bruno Brookes (lan Antonio 17.30 Janes 1.50 Newsbeat (lan Parkinson) 5.45 Bruno Brookes (not Top 40 singles) 7.30 Janice Long 10.00-12.00 John Peel Fet 50 VHF Stereo Radios 1 & 2-4,00am As Radio 2 10.00pm As Radio 1 12.00-4.00am As Radio

Radio 2

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1) News on the hour. Haadlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 4.00am Colin Berry 5.30 Ray Moore 7.30 Derek Jameson 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05pm David Jacobs 2.00 Gioria Humiford hosts a Christmas party at Queen Merv'a Hospitel for Humiford hosts a Christmas party at Queen Mary'a Hospital for Children, Carshatton, Surrey 3.30 Mike D'Abo 5.05 John Dunn 7.09 Bob Hoiness Presents. (BBC Radio Orchestra) 9.00 The Christmas Glow. Roger McGough, Isla St Clar and Mary O'Hara 19.00 The Name'a the Game. 10.30 Back to Square One. (ruiz noma) 11.00 Brian (quiz gama) 11.00 Brian Matthew 1.00em Charles Nove 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

5.00 Newsdesk (until 8.30) 7.00 News 7.09
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Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News 7.05 Concert: Suppé (The Beautiful Gelatea overture: Montreal SO), Besthoven (Serenade in D, Op 25: Graf, flute, Gulli, violin, Giuranna, viola), Bach (Orgelbuchlein Nos 9 to 17, BWV 607-615: Verner Jacob, organ). 0.00 News 8.05 Concert (continued

Concert (continued
).Britten (Rejoice in the
Lamb: Westminster
Cathedral
Choristers/Trotter,organ/and
soloists Seers, Chance,
Salmon and Hayes),
Telemann (Fantasia No 3
in B minor: Barthold Kuijken,
flute), Strauss (Roses
from the South watz), Josef
Franz Wegner (The

from the South waitz), Josef
Franz Wegner (The
Double Eagle march), Weber
(Invitation to the Dance),
and Les six (Les mariés de la
Tour Effle), With the
Philharmonia Orchestra. 9.00
News
9.05 This Week's Composer:
C P E Bach. Harpsichord
Concerto in J. Win 43 No 2 C P E Bach. Harpsichord
Concerto in D, Wq 43 No 2
(Meiante 81), Sonata in F
minor, Wq 57 No 6 (Sgrizzi,
fortepiano), Duo in E
minor, Wq 140 (Martin-Linde,
flute and Jaap Schroder,
viota), Sinfonia in E flat, Wq
183 No 2 (ECO)
10.00 Copland: the composer
and the New York PO
under Bernstein perform the
Plano Concerto. And
Detroit SO under Dorati play

Piano Concerto. And
Detroit SO under Dorati play
Appelachian Spring

10.40 Christmas Music: BBC
Singers and Margaret
Phillips (organ). Includes
works by Warlock (Three
carols, including The
sycamore tree), Richard
Rodney Bermett (What
sweeter music) and Four
Christmas motets by
Poulenc. Poulenc. 11.30 Romantic Clarinet Music: Colin Lawson and Christopher Kite (clarinet

and plano) perform Weber's Seven Variations on theme from Silvana, and flat 12.15 Concert:BBC Scottish SO (under Maksymluk) with Roman Jabionski

with Roman Jablonski (cello). Part one.
Mussorgsky (Night on the bare mountain),
Lutoslawski (Cello Concerto). 1.00 News
1.05 Musical Timas Past: Fritz Splegi on lata Victorian music-making
1.20 Concert (continued).
Tchalkovsky (Variations Tchalkovsky (Variations

oon a rococo theme), Stravinsky (The Firebird suite) 2.15 Guitar encores: David and Morel.
2.45 Stirings Past and Future:
Young violinists at the
1986 Indianapolis

Young violinists at the 1986 Indianapolis International Violin Concerto, and Ruggiero Ricci, play Paganin' Capricas. Also Gespar Cassado and Gary Hoffmann play music for cidio by Cassado, and BBC SO with Yfrah Neaman play Roberto Gerhard's Violin Concerto. 4.55 News 5.00 Interpretatiosns on Record: How various singers have tackled Verdi's

5.00 Interpretations on Record: How various singers have tackled Verdi's Otello. Illustrated talk by Julian Budden
6.00 Mozart: Hagen String Cuartet in F major. K 590
6.30 The Royal Recorder Consort: Calliops under Pickett play dances and fantasias from the English Court, from Henry VIII to James 1
7.00 Poulenc: BBC Welsh SO (undar Louis Fremaux) play the Sinfonietta
7.30 Two Planks and a

play the Sinfonletta
7.30 Two Planks and a
Passion: play by Anthony
Minghelia, set against the
background of the 1382
York Corpus Christl Plays.
The cast includes Julia
Ford, Malcotim Hebden,
David Threifall, Nigel
Stock, Denys Hawthome,
Hanry Livings, Keith
Bartiett, Roger Stoman, and
Richard Griffiths
1.30 John Stanley: Connected

9.30 John Stanley: Concerto Grosso In G, Op 2 No 3 (English Concert), Voluntary in C, Op 5 No 1 (Richard Burnett, organ), Voluntary in A minor, Op 5 No 10 (Preston, organ), and Concerto In C minor Op 10 No 4 (London Beroque, harosichord)

10.00 Currents from a Northern Land: Danish music Steen Pade (Quartet No 1), Hans Abrahamsen (Quartet No 2), Poul Ruders (Quartet No 2) 10.50 Other People's Lives: Joanne Pearce reads the

story by Jane Oxenford

11.05 Beethoven Plano Sonatas: John Lill plays the No 1 in F minor, Op 2 No 1, and the No 21 in C, Op 53 11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown.

Radio 4

On long wave (a) Stereo on VHF 5.55 Shipping 6.00 News Briefing; Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 A Service of Mattris 6.57 Weather;

Matths 5.57 Weather; Travel 7.00 Today, Incl 7.00, 8.00 Today's news 7.20 Business News 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.30 News Summary 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.30 After Henry starring Prunella Scales in The Romantic Approach. 8.57 Weather; Travel

9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross 01-580-4411. The phone-in which gives you the chance to speak to the experts and policy-makers about current concerns.

current concerns.
10.00 News; Those Angel
Faces Smile. The story
of Catherine Tak and har
husband Archibadd, Dean
of Carliste, who lost five

of Carlisle, who lost five children within six weeks in 1856.

10.30 The Fosdyke Saga (a) 10.45 Wives of the Great Composers. Fritz Spiegl takes a look at Mrs Mozart.

11.00 Naws; Travelt; Tricty Minute Theatre. Teddy Bears Pionic, by Paul King. With Norman Rodway.

asures and Trifles. Bernard Price presents an anthology of writings celebrating the joys of collecting. 12.00 News; You and Yours.

Consumer advice.

Consumer advice.

12.27 My Music. Music panel game (s) 12.55 Weather

1.00 Tha World at One: News

1.40 The Archers 1.55

2.00 News; Woman'a Hour with Sue MacGregor.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play, And There Were In the Same Country, by David Bannister. (s) Bannister. (s)
4.00 A Warm and Sunny
Christmas. A dose of
warm Caribbean spirit to add
to the Christmas

celebrations here.
4.30 Kaleidoscope. Last night's edition, repeated.
5.00 PM News magazine 5.50 Shipping 5.55 Weather
6.00 The Sto O'Clock News; Enacted Report

Financial Report 6.30 King Street Junior

still intact (s)

starring Peter Devison and James Grout. Enc Brown manages to reach the and of his first term as a teacher with his ideals



Planks and a Passion (on Radio 3, 7.30pm)

7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Letter From The Sticks.
A personal report on
rural life from David Bean.
7.30 John Ebdon's Silver
7.30 John Ebdon's Silver 7.30 John Edoon's Saver
Archive. Marking 25
years of dedicated service to
radio from John Ebdon.
8.30 The Tuesday Feature. A
Far Cry From Africa. A
personal history of
Caribbean poetry in
Britain from Beverly Wynter
(s)

(s) 9.00 in Touch. News, views and information for people with a visual handicap.

9.30 A Sideways Look
At . . . (new series).
Anthony Smith presents the first of four talks for Christmas week in his own individual style.

9.45 Kaleidoscoce. Items

individual style.

9.45 Kalektoscope, Items
include paperbacks of
Kipling, and music guides.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime. My
Uncle Sales, by
H E Betes (2 of 3).Reader:
David Nest. 10.28

Weather 10.30 The World Tonight 11.15 The Financial World Tonight 11.30 Music At Night. Borodin

Shipping (available In England and S Wales Only) as above except 5.55-6.00am VHF Weather, Travel 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner (s)

5.50-5.55 PM (continued)

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THE TIMES

Honeyghan sacrifices his crown for apartheid

Lloyd Honeyghan yesterday sacrificed a third of his undisputed world welterweight title to the fight against apartheid. The 26-year-old Jamaican-born Londoner handed in the WBA crown rather than obey an instruction to meet their No. 1 contender, the white South African, Harold

Honeyghan will now concentrate on the WBC and IBF titles which he defends against the American, Johnny Bumphus, at Wembley Grand Hall on Sunday, February 22.He declared: I would not fight Volbrecht for a million pounds - either here or in South Africa. How could I lnnk myself in the mirror each morning or face my own people on the streets if I

"They would think I wasn't concerned rned with what was going nn in South Africa.even if he denounced apartheid I don't think I could box him. I feel so strongly about it."

Hone bghan's manager, Mickey Duff, argued unsuccessfully with the WBA, claiming they did not have a No I contender because Volhrecht was meeting Ameri-can Mark Breland in a final eliminator.Duff said :"lt's very regrettable, but I helieve most people will still regard Lloyd as the undisputed champion. He proved that by beating Don Curry."

Honeyghan, who stopped Curry in Atlantic City three utive chairman Sam months ago, will earn Ramsamy said: "It is a £140,000 for fighting tremendous sacrifice he is months ago, will earn £140,000 for fighting Bumphus, who has won 29 of his 30 contests. The fight is being staged at Wemhley's 3,000 seater Grand Hall formerly the Conference Centre - because the nearby to his rightful place as WBA

complications which invariably face the man who holds all three titles. The WBC, who are firmly anti-apartheid, have already stated that if any of their champions defends against a South African, or the winner of an eliminator involving a South African, they will consider taking away

They also have a policy of banning for life any of their champions who work in South Africa. But Honeyghan has made up his own mind for his own reasons. "To me it would be like supporting the things that have happened nut

As well as the WBA title, he has also given up Christmas. He leaves for America today to train in Palm Springs until 12 days before the fight, at a cost of about £25,000 out of his £180,000 purse for the Wembley contest. The fight is nver 15 rounds because it comes under the jurisdiction

"I have asked my manager to get me away as quickly as pussible, so I'm off tomorrow," he said yesterday." I've seen all my kids and given them their Christmas presents", he said. One of Honeyghan's claims to fame is that be bas four children from three mothers.

His decisinn to give up the WBA crown was applauded by the London-based, anti-apartheid group SANROC. Execmaking - but one which will

pay diviends.

We shall apply pressure within boxing to try to ensure that he is eventually restricted

CRICKET

Australia turn to McDermott again

From John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent, Melbourne

attack, Australia have brought have cost him 75 apiece and Craig McDermott into their come at a rate of one every 25 12 for the fourth Test match starting here on Boxing Day natural rhythm, relying on Bright is out of it, and Zoehrer vigour and brute force. But on will be back behind his stumps his day he was decidedly fast. in place of Dyer so long as he This season he has sacrificed

passes a fitness test today.

If England settled for the defensive option in Adelaide, by weakening their bowling to strengthen the batting, so, less justifiably, did Australia, who were, and still are, hehind in the present tour, and he will the series. Realizing now that have encouraging memories that was a mistake, they will of cricket on the Melbourne almost certainly leave out a Cricket Ground where, in his batsman this time, and it will first Test match, against West

The chances are it will be Matthews or Ritchie, both of Reid, Hughes and whom would be unlucky, McDermott, England's bats-Matthews after making 73 not men will expect to have more out at Adelaide, and Ritchie to contend with than in the because his scores in the series earlier Tests, if it is a typical have been 41, 45, 33, 24 nnt Melbourne pitch.
out, 36 and 40 not out.

In the eight Test matches be has played since taking 30 wickets at 30.03 against England in England in 1985,

In an effort to sharpen their McDermott's nine wickets pace for accuracy, and his 27 wickets have got him back his

Test place. He took six for 125 in Queensland's defeat of Gatting's side at the start of not be easy for them to decide which one.

Indies two years ago, be took six wickets, including Vivian Richards's for nought. From

SOUAD: G R Marsh, O C Boon, O M Jones, A R Border (captain), G M Ritchie, S R Waugh, G R J Matthews, P R Sleep, T J Zoehrer, C J McDermott, B A Reld, M G

GOLF

Charles builds fortune and a home from home

From John Ballantine, Montego Bay

Boh Charles, the New Zea- Alcott who, after the five other land left-hander who won the players in the three-team play-Open Championship at Royal Lytham in 1963, is building at the first extra hole, the 15th and furnishing a home on Professional Golfers' Association property in West Palm Beach, Florida. So have 200 professional Golfers' Association property in West Palm achieving the additional and not inconsiderable feat of £350,000), was especially wel- countenance but to no avail. come tn the elegant pro-

fessional. his beloved Christchurch, son, who turned 35 yesterday. where he has a farm. But it is They fought their way back more comfortable for a fellow into a tie, after "blowing" a whn has now won \$511,160 in two-stroke lead at the turn, a career in United States with the lesser-known Jim senior golf that began only in Ferree and Ayako Okamoto. March, when he turned 50, to aged 35, of Japan. have a place he can call bome

off had failed with hirdie putts who firmly holed a 12-footer.

with Amy Alcott, aged 30, in causing a smile to cross the Mazda championship bere Charles's usually poker face. in Jamaica, and their winning Tony Jacklin once spent the of the richest first prize in better part of a round trying to world golf (\$500,000, about coax a grin from that woeful

ome tn the elegant pro-essional. The losing pairs in the play-off were Billy Casper, aged 55, Nnt that Charles is leaving and Australia's Jan Stephen-

have a place he can call bome over here, not far from Jack Nicklaus nor, for that matter, Bernhard and Vikki Langer.
"I owe it all to Amy," Charles said graciously afterwards and, indeed, it was indeed, it was the content of the care of the care

Fraser's tennis optimism

McIbourne (AP) - Sweden may be better on paper, but Neale Fraser, Australia's Davis Cup captain, said his country should be favnured when the two countries meet in the final of the tnurnament, which begin in Boxing Day. Fraser also claims that his top player. Pat Cash, is a better grass court crowd "

Open champion.
"I see us as the favourites."
Fraser said. "We've got the best grass court player in the world at

the moment, we're playing on a

surface the guys love to play on. and we're in front of a home

player than Sweden's Stefan Edberg, the reigning Australian



Theo Foley, the assistant manager of Arsenal, has been charged by the Football Association of bringing the game into disrepute. The accusation follows an incident during Arsenal's 1-1 draw at Norwich on December 13 when Foley is alleged to have made remarks to a linesman.

The Irishman, who was formerly the manager of Charlton and Millwall, could face a large fine if found guilty of a breach of the FA rules covering disrepute and insulting or improper behaviour. Foley now has 14 days to

inform the FA whether he wants a personal hearing. Punishment for the charges are unlimited.

Aberdeen deny interest in Nicholas move

By Hugh Taylor
The directors of at least one
English club can breath a sigh of relief today in the know-ledge that their leading player is safe from the hands of the

marauding Scots. The reports that Aberdeen wanted to transfer Luton Town's Welsh international, Peter Nicholas, to Pittodrie has been denied by Ian Porterfield, the manager there. "All this talk of Scottish

clubs luring top English players north is becoming a bit of a joke," said Porterfield. "I have no intention of signing any new players at the moment. When I arrived here from England I promised I would give all the players a fair crack of the whip. It is true that, like all clubs, we are looking at players for you have always to look at the future. But we are not moving for Nicholas or anyone else at the moment."

Meanwhile, Celtic supporters are growing adamant that it is time the league leaders, who displayed defensive anxi-ety again on Saturday when they dropped a point to Aberdeen, did something to bolster their rearguard.

It would sound more credible if another move were to the backbone of every winning he made for the Chelsea centre side. half, Joe McLaughlin, or, for that matter, even Nichnlas, ous man, has also constructed whose experience would he of a club that is not ashamed to immense value at Parkhead. embrace the old-fashioned

Pressure

to join

The four governing bodies of athletics in Scotland are

coming under increasing pres-sure from the Scottish Sports

Council to amalgamate. Fi-

nance is a major reason for the

Conncil's interest as it cur-

rently grant-aids all four and a

single body would be much

The Council has written to

each of them, the Scottish

AAA and Scottish Women's

AAA. Scottish Cross Country

Union and Scottish Women's

Cross Country Union,

suggesting a meeting and

offering to appoint a neutral

Dicks's new job

Miss Dicks, aged 38, will

spend the first three months

outgoing secretary, Gillian

I our manager

Les Bettinson, the 51-year-

old Salford director, has been

named manager for the Great

Britain Rugby League tour to

Australia and New Zealand in

That's my boy: David Pleat, Tottenham's manager, eyes his new signing, Steve Hodge, with a satisfied smile Foley faces Villa intend keeping a tight hold on purse strings By Chris Moore

Aston Villa will not be embarking on a Christmas spending spree following the £650,000 cash injection received from the sale of Steve

Hodge to Tottenham Hotspur. Although still anchored in the bottom three of the first division, Doug Ellis, Aston Villa's chairman, made it clear last night he still intends retaining a tight hold on the

purse strings.
"In the last 15 months we have laid out £2.6 million on new players and have recouped only £1.4 million. That has to be taken into consideration." Ellis said.

The manager has known since he came here that he needed to redress the balance because, frankly, we still have too many players on our

But McNeill will be given part of the Hodge transfer fee to spend, although it is unlikely to he much more than £300,000. "Whatever happens Homes" Meanwhile Birmingham I won't be rushing into any-thing before Christmas," he City's chairman Ken Wheldon

With the Football League'

phase in which most clubs face

four games in an eight-day

period over the holiday, any

side who can stand the pace

will emerge with a first-class

While most critics favour

the perennial challenge of

Liverpool, the re-emergence

of Arsenal, the precocious

talents of Nottingham Forest,

nr the accomplished Everton

team, few have given serious

consideration to the claims of

Sbeffield Wednesday who

have now climbed to fifth

team have only been beaten

four times and only Arsenal

are able to improve on that.

More importantly, Wednes-

day have built up a squad that

knows the meaning of hard work and mastery of the simple things in football, two

characteristics that have been

Wilkinson, a drily humnr

Douglas: record bopes

Desmond Douglas, the Eng-

Douglas's bid

Crawley on January 23-24.

Ricbard Donovan, the

South Wales Police and Welsh

international centre who was

injured in Saturday's

Schweppes Cup match against

Pencoed, is likely to be out for

the rest of the season. Dono-

van, aged 23, is still in hospital

with a suspected depressed

Janc Dicks, a former North- lish and Commonwealth table

amptonshire county cham- tennis champion, will bid for a

pion, takes over as secretary of record 10th men's singles title

the English Ladies Golf in the Triumph Adler English

Association on January 12. National Championships at

working in tandem with the injury time

Yet Howard Wilkinson's

place in the first division.

chance of honours.

Aston Villa will not be said. "I did make one inquiry last weekend when I knew the Hodge deal was on the cards. But nothing materialized." A forward with a proven

goal-scoring record is top of his wanted list although he conceded: "They don't come cheaply and it may even mean I will have to sell again first."
McNeill is looking to Villa's
£350,000 summer signing Neale Cooper, who has yet to kick a ball in the first team, to eventually take over as

After suffering a succession of injury setbacks, Cooper has emerged unscathed after three games and is near to making a belated League debut, Even so, McNeill is still erring on the side of caution a little longer. "I cannot emphasize

Hndge's replacement in

of folly to suggest to him that

more cynical attitudes should

prevail.

insisted last night that the Wayne Clarke, is not for sale. Everton's manager Howard Kendall has watched Clarke twice recently and is under-stood to be preparing a £400,000 bid for the 25 year old forward, who joined the Birmingham for £80,000 three years ago from Wolver-hampton Wanderers.

Kendall has Clarke earmarked as a possible replacement for the unsettled Paul

But, even though while Birmingham are still deep in debt and struggling to meet their weekly wage bill on average gates of around 8,000, Wheldon was adamant last night that the club's prize asset was not for sale. "I want to make that absolutely clear, no matter bow tempting an offer Everton may come up with." Due to an agreement they

struck with Wolves when they signed Clarke, Birmingahm would only receive half of any

Wednesday hungry for title virtues of honesty and and so far we have achieved entering its most gruelling responsibility; it is the height them at this stage," said phase in which most clubs face of folly to suggest to him that Wilkinson after the 2-0 vic-

tory over Newcastle ended the

Tynesiders' run of seven matches without defeat. We

His side has already over-

come the illness of Marwood,

a fleet winger whose crosses on

the run have opened the way

for the tall and elegant Chap-

man to score 13 times already.

Bradshaw, the 18-year-old who scored his first home goal

in that win, now has a back

strain and the leading forward

two stitches in his mouth. But

in reserve are two talented teenagers in Shutt and Hirst,

since Wednesday have stron-

ger foundations than last year

I find the speed, commit-

ment, and drive of Sterland

and Shelton two compelling

reasons why Wilkinson's

dream can come true, while

the rest of the team has a

cohesion and pace that can, at

times, he breathtaking. While

Owls may he renowned for

sagacity, it is well to remem-

ber they are carnivores.

when they ended fifth.

know what lies ahead."

Any Wednesday player who should over-indulge during the festive season may not remain one far into the New Year. "Given the importance of this span of games, it would in my view, he a criminal act if any player failed to live up to his responsibilities despite all the distractions. The period will show up unexpected results as fatigue, injury, illness, and lack of preparation play more significant parts than normal

"However, there can he no complaints about the arduous programme, because, within the game, we all know that for big prizes you have to pay hig

Mancbester City at Maine Road is followed by Liverpool at home nn Saturday, a visit from Norwich City on New Year's Day, and a trip to Leicester, the most important of these clearly the match with the champions.

SPORT IN BRIEF

"We set ourselves targets



Cup third round tie against Everton at Goodison Park on January 10, due to his two match suspension. Case, the former Liverpool and Brighton player, who has reached 21 disciplinary points, will also miss the first division game against Manchester United a week earlier.

Fast moves Southampton have moved

fast to find a temporary replacement for the England goalkeeper, Peter Shilton, who broke his nose in a League match against Nottingham Forest, on Saturday. They have signed Manchester City second team goalkeeper, Eric Nixon, on a month's loan

Paying up

Tokyo (AFP) - A Japanese magazine publisher was yesterday ordered by a district court here to pay 1.8 million yen (£7.923) damages to boxing judges Stanley Christdolu, South Africa and Eva Shain, of the United States, for an article accusing them of taking bribes in connection with the 1982 WBA world title fight between then junior flyweight champion, Katsuo Tokashiki, of Japan, and Lupe Madera, of Mexico.

Carr is told Missing Case to make Jimmy Case, the Southamp-ton captain, will miss the FA a decision

Brian Clough, the Nottingham Forest manager, who is al-ready planning for next sea-son, has told Franz Carr, his England under-21 winger, that he must know shortly whether he intends to sign a new contract. Carr, aged 20, whose presentcontract ends in June, has been watched by several top clubs recently.

two and a half years ago, he has been one of their outstanding players. Under the transfer agreement with Blackburn Rovers, the fee is heing paid in stages, based on Carr's number of appearances in the first

Since his move to Forest

Blackburn have already re-ceived £100,000 and if Carr plays for England's senior team Forest have to pay them another £100,000. Clough said: "I want the player to make up his mind and he has to do it very shortly."

 Liverpool expect to have their Danish international, Jan Molby, back for the Boxing Day match with Manchester United at Anfield which looks like being a sell out. Molby has returned to full training after a three-game absence with a hamstring

Spectre of Botham haunts the ghost of Christmas books

At Sixes and Sevens The autobiography of Pete Afterwards Swarbrick , cricketer

(Brilliant title. Ed.) Acknowledgements: My mum, an influential schoolteacher, the club coach, the woman who makes the lunch at Loamshire County Cricket Club. Also to Fred Smith, an obscure journalist. He actually wrote this book, as a matter of

Chapter One: Great

I buckled my pads on securely. "Good luck, mate," said "Both" — good old Ian Botham, that is. "England is waiting for you to do your bit," he empped. At that great moment I could not help looking back to the days when I was a snotty little schoolkid. Who would have thought that a very ordinary boy from Streatham, turning np for cricket practice in his dead dad's nld jockstrap and patched flannels would one day play for his country? (Any more about Botham?

Chapter Two: In The

Beginning We had it hard as kids. Most of the kids in our suburb only had one car! Kids today don't know how lucky they are. But me, I didn't have a care in the world in those days. All I wanted was a bat in my hand and I was happy as a sandboy. My mother was a wonderful support to me. So was my dead dad, come to think of it.

Chapter Three: Early Days
"Make no mistake," my schoolteacher said. "One day this lad will play for England." But he was wrong. Poxy old Jenkins was turned down by a minor county and it was me,

not him, that joined the big

time and got picked for Loamshire Colts. Chapter Four: Learning The Trade

I shall never forget the day I first walked out on to the ask him his views on sacred turf of Loamshire controversial issues, like cricket ground. I was completely overawed hut somehow I knew I was going to make it. But I was a bit of a harum-scarum in those days. Many a time I got drunk and threw up behind the right? sightscreen.

(Did he do this with Botham? Ed.) (No. FS) Chapter Five: I Make

I was lucky enough to score several centuries in my first season with Loamshire. Soon people were saying: "Swarbrick for England." For voung lad of 20. the sky the limit. (v well put, this.

Chapter Six: England! I got picked for England. It was a great honour. It was the greatest moment of my life. We won the match, too. Good old "Both" took 10 wickets, scored 150 runs and took five catches. It was a marvellous team effort and we all did our

Chapter I never played for England

again after making a pair in my first Test. But I'm not bitter. I love the life of a county cricketer. I mean, if they want to pick a load of half-wits who can't tell a halfvolley from a half-nelson (brilliant phrase. Ed.) (Thank you. FS) then that's their business, isn't it? It's a grand life as a county pro and if I hang on for another 15 years I'll make a killing with my benefit. Meanwhile. I can always make a quick quid as a celebrated

Chapter Eight: Now What?

(How do we fill up the rest of the book? FS) (Ask him what he thinks of famous cricketers. Like Botham. Ed.) David Gower. Good player but a bit laid back.

Mike Gatting Good player but a bit fat. Took him a long time to establish himself, didn't it?

Boh Willis: Tall man. Talks sinwly.

Malcoim Marshall: There is not an ounce of malice in the man. A delightful person, a genius, a charmer, a gentleman. No one in cricket has a bad word for him. He is one of

Geoff Boycott: A perfec-tionist. Comes from York-

the old school. An absolute

Ian Botham: The game needs characters like "Both". I don't begrudge him a penny of his vast fortune. Bastard. (Brilliant, illuminating chapter. Ed).

Chapter Nine: Completely Stuck

Well, that's about all I can think of, really. (Ask him for some humorous stories about Botham. Ed.) (He's never met Botham. I made up the bit in the first chapter, FS) (Well,

Er, no one likes short pitch bowling but it's part of the game. The one-day game has improved the fielding beyond all recognition. Is that all

Chapter Ten: The Summing Up

It's a great game. People who write off Pete Swarbrick are making a big mistake. Where would the game be without great characters like, well, me? Can I have the second half of my advance

(Well done, marvellous stuff. Ed.) (Are you really going to charge £9.95 for this? FS) (Course! People will huy anything if it's about cricket. By the way, I've got a new idea for the title. How about: At Sixes and Sevens: Cricket, Botham and Me, by Pete Swarbrick? Ed). (Ace. FS).

Simon Barnes

7.40

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Eastwood puts his guard up again

By George Ace

One has to admire B J He knows better than anyone Eastwood's tenacity. The man who steered Barry McGuigan to the WBA version of the featherweight championship of the world is contemplating a January boxing promotion in Belfast at either the King's Hall or the Ulster Hall. Neither venture would he a

viable proposition without very substantial sponsorship and television coverage and the reason is simple: without the McGuigan magic pro-fessional boxing in Belfast or in Ireland, for that matter, is

Eastwood has the British flyweight champion, Dave McAuley, under his wing and he also controls to a large extent the European middleweight champion, Herol Gra-ham. Individually or together the pair would not come anywhere near to filling the King's Hall and the expense involved in putting a double top featuring the two champions at the I,500 capacity Ulster Hall almost certainly makes it a nnn-starter. Ulster Hall shows that did

not feature McGuigan always finished in the red and in most cases the loss incurred was in and around the £10,000 mark. But those losses could be offset against a McGuigan show in the King's Hall or in Duhlin and everyone was happy. Last month's Ulster Hall

promotion with the British middleweight title bout topping the bill was the first in the city for several months and a first since the Eastwood-McGuigan split turned from rumour to fact. It was not, and was never expected to be, a financial success. Eastwood has never been afraid to gamhle on his judgement and has rarely been proved wrong, but no one should ever mistake him for a philanthropist.

that there is not an Irish boxer capable of filling either of the two venues like McGuigan did, even on the way up. Hugh Russell, outright winner of a Lonsdale Belt, and by far a more popular fighter than any of the corrent crop of young hopefuls, could not do it even when he was champion. And Graham's lack-luster Belfast debut some 12 months ago against a nondescript American has not been forgotten, nor will it for a long time.

Unfortunaely the Monaghans, Gilroys, Caldwells, and McGuigans are exceptions rather than the rule and there is no doubt that McGuigan has sort of soured those who could be classified as fringe boxing supporters, who feel they have been let down. The fanatics will still attend irrespective of the bill, but they do not appear to he as thick on the ground these days and that is why one cannot be optimistic about the future. Eastwood will argue bis

corner vehemently and will always be prepared to put his money where his mouth is but it may be a long long time before the rafters of the King's Hall reverberate to the roars that marked the entrance of the Clones Cyclone and accompanied his every move while the action lasted. McGuigan was overloaded with instant appeal; he was an electrifying fighter. More is the pity he did not stick to what he did best and more is the pity that those who have bad his ear over the last two years or so could not see the road they were travelling on was fraught with danger.

Whatever the future may hold for McGuigan it will never be what it could have been. And whatever the future holds for boxing in Belfast it will never he the same as it

